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On Our Cover:



Moonwalk  
By Brett Taylor

Opening Remarks

How Tweet It Is

If you're not on Twitter, you're missing out on what my very good friend Stephen King says is "like gossiping over the world's longest backyard fence."

Mr. King—I mean, Steve—has nearly five million followers on Twitter. That's considerably higher than the number of people that voted for President Trump (306 Electoral College members).

To be fair (and balanced), our fearless leader has something like 53 million Twitter followers that must have cost him a lot of money. Even if you paid those people Spotify rates to follow you—fractions of pennies—that's several hundred dollars out of pocket.

Anyway, a few months ago, Steve tweeted the *Beachcomber* cover he appeared on with his dog Molly, which makes him the Best Person on Earth, as well as the Best-Selling Author in the World (screw you, James Patterson, unless you want to be in our magazine, too).

I don't bother with Facebook anymore because they tried to steal what was left of my soul. I rarely look at Instagram unless someone tags Beachcomber



Occasional BEACHCOMBER contributor and Northwest Florida State College Gay-Straight Alliance faculty adviser David Simmons reports that the June 23 Niceville Pride Walk drew hundreds of people. "It couldn't have gone better," he says. "Remarkable for a small, conservative town like Niceville!"

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# This Issue's Contributors

**Samantha Lambert** ("Uniquely Clever Katlyn Arnold") is still loving being back in Florida after 35 years away. She enjoys writing for *Beachcomber* and, as a former teacher, is using her skills to tutor local students.

**Nikki Hedrick** ("Remaking Bluegrass History... The Cleverlys") is a resident of Seagrove Beach. She is a photographer, co-owner of 850 Music and Entertainment, co-founder of the Kite Film Fest, and a longtime *Beachcomber* contributor. Nikki is currently freshening up her Time Warp dance moves and wonders if 33 is too old to obsessively watch *Bob's Burgers*.

**Clay Jones** (Cartoons) syndicates his cartoons daily to publications across the country. Mr. Jones was born in Fort Hood, Texas, and was raised in Louisiana, Illinois, California and Georgia. He currently lives in Fredericksburg, Virginia. You can now watch him create his masterpieces on YouTube.

**Marilu Morgan** (Recommended Reading) a nature lover who grew up in the mountains of northeast Alabama, lives in Destin with husband Chatham, daughter Carla May, and beagles Pocket and Hayduke. She blogs about beagles, babies and books at [marilumorgan.com](http://marilumorgan.com).

**Wynn Parks** (This Issue's Cover Artist) writes, schemes and juggles on the slopes of a Blue Mountain, all the while hunkering on an ironing board waiting for the perfect wave.

# Opening Remarks CONTINUED...

in a photo. I'm not really sure what the hell Pinterest is for. And I have about 3,000 MySpace messages I still haven't answered.

Twitter, on the other hand, I find very user-friendly. I like the simplicity (of the app itself as well as most of the people on there). I like that I don't waste a lot of time on it—I usually find something morally repugnant about 10 tweets down my feed that causes me to exit and/or throw my smartphone across the room.

If this doesn't happen to you, you should consider following a more diverse group of tweeters.

*Beachcomber* has a lot of followers on Twitter—about 9,000 at this writing—and we'll generally follow anyone back that isn't a Nazi or a Ku Klux Klan member in good standing.

Another thing I love about Twitter—the polls. True, you can only list four options, but there's also less thinking involved. I mean, two choices is enough for most of our elections, and look how well those have gone in recent years.

And you don't even have to ask a question if you don't want to. Here are the results of some recent *Beachcomber* Twitter polls:

- Cake – 63%
- Pie – 37%
- Craft Beer – 23%
- Whatever's on Sale This Week – 77%

- Impeach Now – 2%
- Appoint Emperor of America for Life – 98%

Okay, the results of that particular poll were a little sobering, even for a Professional Drinker like me.

- "Georgy Porgy" – 52%
- "St. George and the Dragon" – 48%

That one did require a question, which was "What Toto song should Weezer cover next?"

Twitter provides me with valuable marketing information, at no cost except for the very little time I put into it. Which beats paying someone \$3.75 an hour to do it the old-fashioned way.

That said, dear readers, give Twitter a try. Follow [@BeachcomberFL](https://twitter.com/BeachcomberFL). Keep the conversation going. And remain civil, whatever that means.

- Editor Manson

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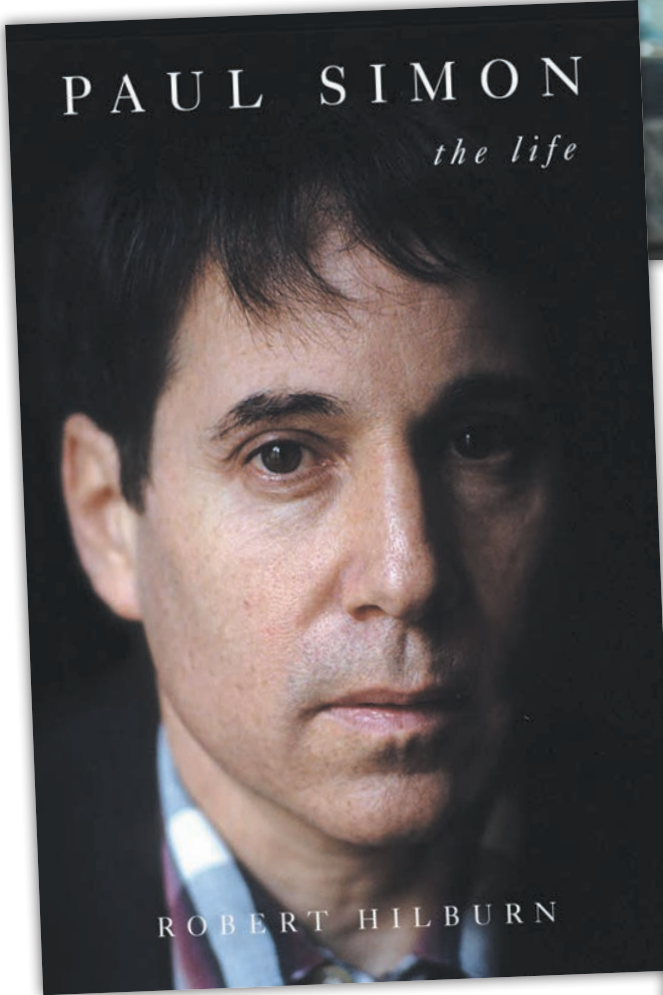
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# Editor's Choice

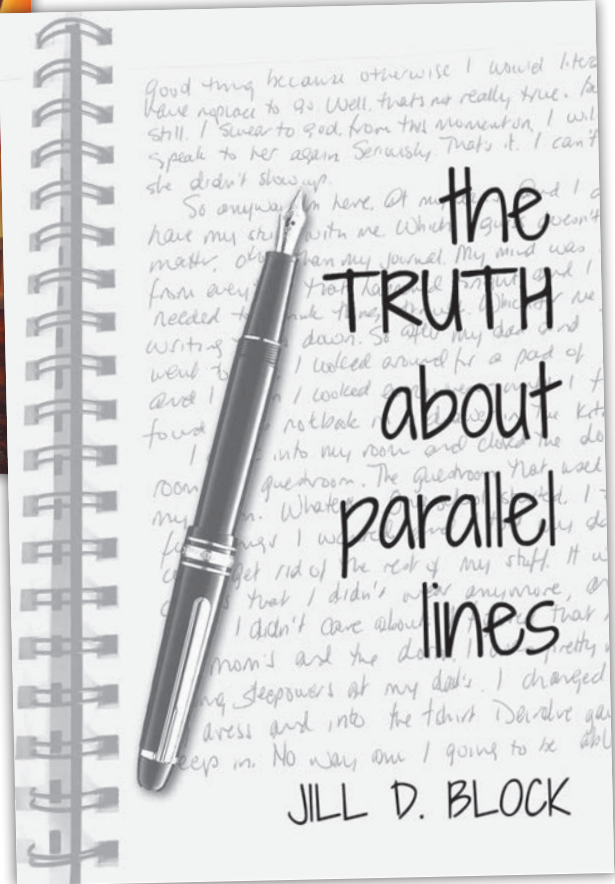
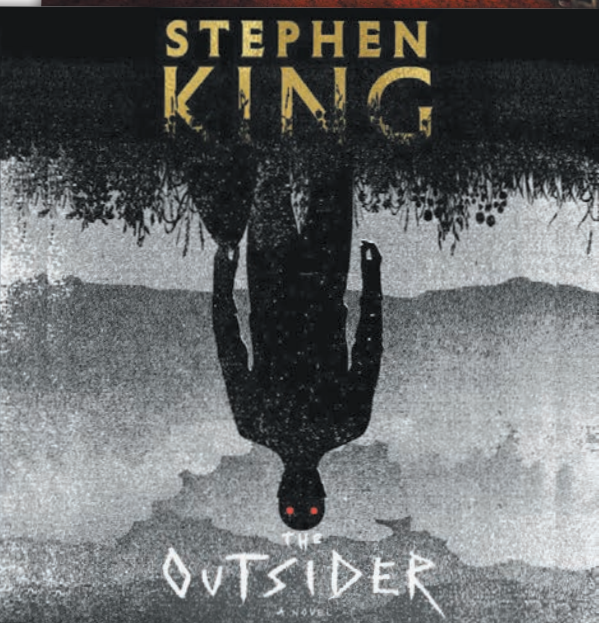
**RIGHT:** The first season of Amazon's **GOLIATH**, starring Billy Bob Thornton as a down-and-out lawyer, was pretty good, but they've raised the bar (pun intended) for the second round of episodes. The storyline involves a wrongfully incarcerated youth, a Mexican drug cartel, a mayoral election, and Mr. Thornton's delicate relationship with his teenage daughter. And then there's Mark Duplass' amazing performance as a shady real estate developer—they should just hand him his Emmy Award right now.

**BELOW:** Robert Hilburn's **PAUL SIMON: THE LIFE** is one of the best music biographies ever, thanks to its subject's full cooperation (Mr. Simon would rather write songs than memoirs) and the author's highly readable narrative. I've always liked Paul Simon, but I like him even more now. Someone get him to sign on for the 2019 30A Fest before he calls it quits.



**LEFT:** Brad Bird's **INCREDIBLES 2** is so full of imagination, humor, and superb action sequences, it leaves all the Avengers and Justice Leaguers in the dust. Plus some inspired voice casting—Bob Odenkirk and Catherine Keener are fine additions to this super sequel.

**BELOW:** Jill D. Block scores with her debut novel, **THE TRUTH ABOUT PARALLEL LINES**, which follows a young woman through decades of life-changing moments—love, death, betrayal, parenthood, etc. Ms. Block fully inhabits all of her characters' skins, including the minor ones.



**LEFT:** Stephen King's latest epic novel, **THE OUTSIDER**, benefits considerably from Will Patton's audiobook narration. Mr. Patton has done remarkable work on earlier books (also Gregg Allman's autobiography), but this is the performance of his career. The story begins with a grisly murder, and plays like a police procedural before taking some surprising (even for King) turns.



# A Second Chance for Seven Rehabilitated Sea Turtles

The Gulfarium's C.A.R.E. Center released seven rehabilitated sea turtles on Tuesday, June 19.

The seven rehabilitated sea turtles were all juvenile Greens. They were hooked by fishermen at Navarre Beach Fishing Pier, rescued, and brought to the C.A.R.E. Center for further evaluation per Florida Fish and Wildlife guidelines. Luckily, the injuries were external and did not require surgery. As a result, these particular sea turtles made a speedy recovery, and went back into the Gulf in record time.

Lefty was the first of the seven to arrive at the C.A.R.E. Center. Lefty was hooked in the eye socket and arrived to the C.A.R.E. Center on June 2, 2018. Lefty suffered from significant swelling around the left eye. This sea turtle also had an old sabiki hook wound with the hook still attached to the front right shoulder, and an old hook fragment embedded in the left shoulder. In

addition to the hooks, Lefty was able to pass a rubber band that had been swallowed prior to arrival at the Gulfarium.

Pinny, Aloe, Vera, Heather, and Orchid all arrived between June 8 and June 11. They all suffered from hook puncture wounds to the front flipper.

The C.A.R.E. Center received the seventh sea turtle, Tyke, the night before the scheduled release. Weighing just under six pounds, the little Green was hooked at Navarre Beach Fishing Pier Monday night. Despite the hook injury, Tyke showed healthy body composition and x-rays. C.A.R.E. staff contacted FWC first thing the next morning to get permission for Tyke's release.

Surrounded by the crowds, Gulfarium team members Ellyn Willse and John Nolan assisted with carrying the sea turtles into the water. Gulfarium



Gulfarium staffer Ellyn Willse returns a rehabilitated sea turtle to the Gulf.

president **Will Merrill** was in attendance to witness the special occasion. "Our team has been very busy this year," said Mr. Merrill. "We are going to have another record year. Sixty sea turtles have come through our C.A.R.E. Center so far this year."

After leaving the release site at Fort Pickens, C.A.R.E. staff went straight to Navarre Beach to assist with three

more Green sea turtles that were hooked at the Fishing Pier. All three sea turtles are now being rehabilitated at the Gulfarium.

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- Meredith Horn

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## Okaloosa Dems Open New HQ in Shalimar

The Okaloosa County Democratic Party (ODP) recently announced the opening of a new headquarters and gathering place in Shalimar. "It's been a long time in the making but Okaloosa Democrats are very happy that we now have a brand new office and hangout spot in Shalimar, just in time to gear up for this year's election season," said ODP Executive Chair **John Whitley**.

The Grand Opening will take place on Friday, **June 29**, from 4 to 7 PM with refreshments provided. The Fort Walton Beach Chamber of Commerce Ambassadors will perform a ribbon cutting at 4:30. Leaders of other related political organizations will attend, and everyone is invited.

and can be accessed from Eglin Parkway or Richbourg Avenue. General office hours for June and July are Tuesday through Saturday from 10 AM to 2 PM. The facility, which has all the latest technology from computers to video surveillance for security, will act as both a monthly meeting location and as a daily operational center for citizen outreach, discussion and education.

"It's an exciting time to be a Northwest Florida Democrat, and from our newly redesigned website to our new headquarters, folks have renewed enthusiasm for participation in our local political process," Mr. Whitley said.

For more information, visit **OkaloosaDemocrats.com**.

- Tom McAuliffe



# Evangelical Leaders Were Too Silent for Too Long

By Carl Hiaasen, Tribune Content Agency

**It feels surreal**, as our country approaches the 242nd anniversary of its freedom, to be celebrating the fact that our government is no longer pulling crying toddlers and infants away from their parents along the southern border.

Equally strange has been the sluggish response of some evangelical leaders, whose notion of biblical mercy is one that shines less brightly on immigrants. The Rev. Franklin Graham, for example, only last week acknowledged that the U.S. policy of separating migrant families was “disgraceful.”

That word should have thundered two months ago from his pulpit. And other words, too: heartbreaking, inhumane, cold-blooded, shameful, un-Christian, un-American, immoral, indefensible.

All the same things we’ve heard from people of all faiths who don’t claim to be on God’s personal speed dial, yet who have no difficulty recognizing cruelty when they see it.

Even when he finally spoke out against the separating of migrant families, Graham refused to blame the president. “This is not the administration’s fault. I don’t point the finger at Trump,” said the son of the late, iconic Billy Graham.

He then shrunk behind the same outlandish lie that President Trump’s allies had been using to defend what was happening: Immigration law requires border officers to yank some kids away from their parents. It’s all the fault of Congress!

Not even the White House, which solely made the decision to warehouse more migrant children, successfully adhered to that narrative. In fact, Trump’s flailing team changed its story more than a dozen times.

In the beginning, the aggressive push to split up families at the border was described as a new Justice Department policy. Then, on June 18, Homeland Security Secretary Kirstjen Nielsen said No, it wasn’t a new policy. A day later, Marc Short, another Trump official, said, Yes, it was.

Nielsen had also asserted it was “offensive” to suggest that taking children from their parents was intended to deter illegal immigrants from coming. Within hours, Attorney General Jeff Sessions said exactly the opposite to Fox News.

Trump, Sessions and Nielsen all spouted the line that forced separation was required by flawed legislation and that Congress must act to fix it. Then the dependably muddled Kellyanne Conway told CNN that nobody ever claimed the law imposed mandatory separation of children from their mothers and fathers.

The dizzying whirl of contradictions culminated with a memorable flip-flop by Trump himself. Five days

after telling reporters that the family-separation policy couldn’t legally be rescinded by an executive order, he sat down and signed one.

“I didn’t like the sight or the feeling of families being separated,” he explained.

Yeah, it’s a total bummer, seeing all those kids fenced in. Frightened. Confused. Tears in their little eyes.

But what had Trump imagined such scenes would look like and feel like back when he approved the plan? How did he not foresee a national outcry?

It wasn’t the president’s tender conscience that made him back down, but rather the strong reaction from his own family, worried Republican lawmakers and high-profile preachers including—belatedly—Franklin Graham.

As ideologically fractured as our country is, there remains a core decency that transcends politics and religious doctrine. It has been animated by compassion for children in distress, and also profound sympathy for any parent forced to watch a son or daughter taken away.

The administration limited media access to the camps and compounds, because the White House understood that the optics were “horrible,” in the words of Robert Jeffress, a popular Baptist pastor and avid Trump booster.

And, sure enough, it didn’t take much to horrify a majority of the public. Aerial shots gave the impression of prison flyovers, and an audio recording of crying children at a detention center went viral.

Yes, fix the immigration laws. Improve border security. But, as moral common ground, can we at least agree not to lock up innocent kids as a political strategy?

Trump’s executive order temporarily halted most family separations at the border, but it did nothing to help more than 2,300 children who’ve been taken from their loved ones and remain incarcerated.

The TV prayers and professed dismay of pastors Graham and Jeffress are a weak substitute for action. They should use their political friendship with Trump to help expedite reuniting all these youngsters and families as quickly as possible.

True evangelicals try to follow the teachings of Jesus Christ, a man who would be sickened by what’s happened here, and would never have waited so long to speak up.

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## Notes from the Apocalypse

# Who Ya Gonna Call?

By Charles Morgan III

*"Be kind to everyone on the way up; you'll meet the same people on the way down."*

- Wilson Mizner

**It's not** a bad idea to be nice to people whether you are on your way up, down, or sideways. But if, like most of us, you aren't capable of being nice to everybody, you might want a cheat sheet as a reminder of who is most important to your success, happiness, and even survival.

We're hardwired to respect people in certain professions. Doctors, lawyers, financial experts, successful business people, elected politicians, and highly educated, upper class individuals tend to get most people's respect.

But no one in that group is likely to be much help when your emergency calls for a plumber, electrician, diesel mechanic, or an HVAC technician.

I've been in the restaurant business for years, and dishwashers, porters, and busboys have been more valuable than wealthy developers.

We have needed a lawyer from time to time (we now have a great one on retainer), but day in and day out, the guys who clean fish in our seafood market are far more valuable.

Financial advisors are only necessary if you are fortunate enough to have finances to manage. The only way I've ever gathered dollars to invest has been through the hard work of line cooks, servers and bartenders.

Electricity is fairly important in the restaurant business. We were fortunate to have Frank Helton, a supervisor at Gulf Power, around Harbor Docks for 25 years. He kept his boat there. Boy, those were the days. Since Frank passed on, we've developed a very close relationship with George Hromadka.

On summer nights when the entire sewage lines would be backed up at Harbor Docks, we didn't call a team of lawyers or doctors. We called Wayne Cassidy at Panhandle Plumbing.

After the first day of a three-day fishing tournament, when we broke a shaft on the Hey Baby, there wasn't much sense in calling a congressman or bank president. But Two Tony's Marine was waiting at the dock when we idled back in the harbor.

No ice, no air conditioning, and it is a balmy 90 degrees on a Friday night in July? It's hard to imagine any insurance executives being much help. But Pro Tec would show up to get everything up and running.

On a day off—piddling around on your boat with your family in a remote area of the bay, with a thunderstorm approaching, and your outboard motor dies... You aren't likely to get much help from your oncologist. Who would you rather call—Matt Gaetz or Bruce Ming?

In the restaurant world, there are so many things that can break and so many different, unexpected catastrophes that can arise. It can be devastatingly mind numbing. Like many in Destin already know, when a problem appears out of nowhere, and no one knows how to deal with it, it certainly helps to be on good terms with Mike Buckingham.







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# Off to Romania... Local Artist Velia Lala

**Local artist Velia Lala** was chosen to join 14 other artists from around the world for an Artist Residency Program in Sibiu, Romania, presented by the Dacia Gallery. Artists travel to Sibiu for an intensive four-week program meant to inspire and redefine the creative directions of those selected to participate.

Dacia Gallery owner Lee Vasu personally requested for Lala to submit her work for consideration to join the 2018 Sibiu residency. Ms. Lala, along with 14 others, was selected by a highly acclaimed jury to attend the program beginning June 1, 2018.

“It is an incredible opportunity to be chosen for this residency,” Ms. Lala said. “I am thrilled to see how the program itself, along with the culture and experience of my time in Romania expands my artistic vision.”

Dacia Gallery, located in New York City, was founded in 2010 by artist Lee Vasu. Originally from Sibiu, Romania, Vasu has curated multiple exhibitions that ultimately led to him opening the Dacia Gallery. The contemporary art gallery offers museum-quality artwork from solo and groups of both established and emerging artists. Notable artists include Stephen Early, Max Ginsburg, Maria Kreyn, and Patricia Watwood.

As a part of this opportunity of a lifetime, Ms. Lala was given the chance to paint natural landscapes of the mountains and fields of Romania, explore the medieval city of Sibiu, and see popular landmarks such as Black Church of Brasov and the star-shaped citadel fortress of Alba Lulia. The program focuses on eight disciplines—composition, critical studies, curatorial, design,



Artist Velia Lala

drawing, fine art, painting, and visual arts.

The residency program is open to visual artists of all mediums and styles worldwide. Following the residency, Ms. Lala will have the

opportunity to showcase her work in the Dacia Gallery in New York this November and next February.

Learn more about the artist at **VeliaLala.com**.

- Meagan Atwood

## About This Issue's Cover Artist

By Wynn Parks

**Brett Taylor was** one of the far-flung children of the Sixties. In the era of high spirits and social revolution, when his peers were opting for demonstrations and the excitement of street politics, Taylor chose a more classic road to romance. He set off to experience the wonders of the wide world—to live large, to jump off into the deep end—*no guts, no glory*—with Byron and Borroughs.

Taylor was born in Florida, on March 2, 1943, the son of Henry White Taylor, a well-regarded portrait artist from Philadelphia who died when Brett was eight months old. His mother Mykia was a minor poet.

In March 1965, Brett opted to drop out and go not to Canada, but Greece. It wasn't really a case of “dropping out.” That would have been running away. Taylor was chasing, and running magazine ads seeking applicants in a summer arts program that styled itself The Aegean School of Fine Arts.

Staggered by the whirlwind of graduation, marriage, and going abroad, Taylor and his first wife Nina managed to grab a Greek-English dictionary and a handful of language tapes before they sailed from New York aboard a Yugoslav freighter.

A scant three weeks before the school's first scheduled session, the two hurried out wires instructing students that, from Athens, they should meet on the island of Paros.

For 17 years, Brett ran an extraordinary school for American and foreign art students, many becoming notables on the American art scene, and at least one of them a Hollywood film producer.

In the spring of 1983, Brett Franklin Taylor died in a hospital in Boston. His ashes were consigned by his widow and a friend to the blue-green waters off the island of Paros. Today, Taylor's school—now The Aegean Center for the Fine Arts—carries on the work of its founder.



Brett Taylor in his Paros studio.

Photo by Wynn Parks.



# Art

## ART CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

**AMUSE ART STUDIO**, 1389 N. CR-393, Santa Rosa Beach. Drawing and acrylic classes. Call 850-660-6560 for more info.

**ARTFUL THINGS**, 1087 East John Sims Parkway, Niceville. Call 850-729-2600 for more info.

**Tuesdays. Oil with Rosalyn O’Grady**, 10 a.m.-noon and 1-3 PM. Cost is \$20 per session plus supplies. Call Ros at 850-865-5343. [rosalynogrady.com](http://rosalynogrady.com).

**Wednesdays. Watercolor with Lou Kaunzinger**, 10 AM-noon. Cost for four-week session is \$80 plus supplies. Call Lou at 850-897-1456.

**ARTISTS AT GULF PLACE**, 40 Town Center Loop, Santa Rosa Beach. Call 850-622-0400 or visit [www.artistsatgulfplace.com](http://www.artistsatgulfplace.com) for more info.

**ARTS AND DESIGN SOCIETY (ADSO) Classes at the Art Center Gallery**, Fort Walton Beach. More info at [artsdesignsociety.org](http://artsdesignsociety.org).

**Mondays and Wednesdays. Clay and Pottery Open Studio**, 9 AM-noon both days and 6:30-9 PM Mondays. Beginners welcome. Cost for morning classes with **Pat Basque and Sherry Cooler** is \$15 (\$12 for ADSO members). Cost for Monday evening class with **Marcy Eady** is \$15 (\$12 for ADSO members). Materials and firing included.

**Tuesdays. Art for Children Ages 6-12**, 4-5:30 PM. **Marcy Eady** teaches about the masters and their styles using principles of basic drawing, painting and sculpture. Media vary each week. Cost per month is \$70 (\$60 for ADSO members). All supplies included.

**Tuesdays. Oil Painting with Dale Gauvin**, 9 AM-1 PM. Learn the Chiaroscuro technique favored by the old masters. Cost is \$90 (\$80 for ADSO members).

**Tuesdays. Open Studio**, 7-9:30 PM. Bring your own supplies (except clay—no clay, please) and work with other Beachcomberland artists. Cost is \$12 (\$10 for ADSO members). Call Marcy at 850-585-4967 by 5:30 p.m. to ensure access.

**Thursdays. Watercolor with Pat Farwell**, 9:30 AM-noon. For beginners and advanced artists. Bring your own supplies. Cost is \$90 (\$80 for ADSO members). Supply list available at the ADSO website.

**Fridays. Open Studio**, 10 AM-12:30 PM. Same as Tuesdays, but enter through the ADSO office, please.

**July 7, 14, 21 and 28. “Welcome to Watercolors” Workshop with Natalia Light**, 10 AM-12:30 PM. Explore painting different subjects and techniques each week. Cost is \$145 (\$125 for ADSO members). Bring only a special palette to classes (details at ADSO website) and a water container—all other supplies included.

**July 9-13. Kids’ Summer Art Camp, Ages 6-11**, 9:30-11 AM.

**July 9-13. Kids’ Summer Art Camp, Ages 6-11**, 1-3 PM. Kids explore a different medium each day, including drawing, painting and clay. The week ends with an art show and reception for the families during the second half of

Friday’s class. Cost for each of the weeklong sessions is \$70 per child (\$60 for children of ADSO members). Preregister for July classes by Friday, **July 6**.

**July 12. Sip and Paint with Ruta Kanaporis**, 6:30-8:30 PM. Theme for this session is “Summer Sunset.” Cost is \$40 (\$35 for ADSO members), all supplies included. Bring your beverage of choice while learning to paint with acrylics.



**CHROMA STUDIO & GALLERY**, 3925 West County Highway 30A, Santa Rosa Beach. Call 1-844-5-CHROMA or visit [www.CHROMA30A.com](http://www.CHROMA30A.com) for more info.

**FULL CIRCLE GALLERY**, 29 B Eglin Parkway, Fort Walton Beach. Call 850-362-8041 or visit [fullcirclefwb.com](http://fullcirclefwb.com) for more info.

**HERITAGE MUSEUM OF NORTHWEST FLORIDA**, 115 Westview Avenue, Valparaiso. Call 850-678-2615 or visit [Heritage-Museum.org](http://Heritage-Museum.org) to sign up or for more info.

**July 6. Watercolor Painting with Carol Dickson**, 10 AM-1 PM. Students receive step-by-step instructions from start to finish, and complete their own watercolor masterpiece to take home. Cost is \$45 (\$40 for museum members), all supplies included. Space is limited, so call to preregister.



“Biking to the Beach” by Carol Dickson.

**July 14 and 21. Two-Part Mosaics Class with Kathleen Nehus**, 10 AM-noon. Bring your own memento to incorporate into your mosaic if desired. Cost is \$40 (\$35 for museum

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## ART EVENTS

**THROUGH JUNE 29. ARTS AND DESIGN SOCIETY (ADSO) "FROM THE HEART" SHOW AT THE ART CENTER GALLERY, FORT WALTON BEACH**

Feast your eyeballs on works depicting "something that moves the artist." More at **artsdesignsociety.org**.

**THROUGH JUNE 30. ADSO WINDOW GALLERY DISPLAY AT THE ART CENTER GALLERY, FORT WALTON BEACH**

Experience the "soft realism" of award-winning artist **Michael Cheney**.

**THROUGH JULY 22. SUMMER ROTATION AT THE FOSTER GALLERY, GRAND BOULEVARD AT SANDESTIN**

The latest group of artists to make the cut includes **Melody Bogle, Cheryl Burgess, Carol Ann Cain, Jacques Camp, Marscha Cavaliere, Donnelle Clark, Skip Deems, Judy Dewar, Joyful Enriquez, Capri Boyle Jones, Linda Kernick, Rosalyn O'Grady, William Polley, Lesha Porche, Mary Redmann, Kathleen Schumacher, Jenna Varney, and Krista Vind**. Selected by jury, all artists are members of the Cultural Arts Alliance and each will exhibit six to 10 pieces of work in their own section of the gallery. Also on display—a special exhibit by **Billy the Artist**.

**THROUGH JULY 31. ARLENE NEWSOME EXHIBIT AT COASTAL BRANCH LIBRARY, SANTA ROSA BEACH**

The artist's photographs and glass and resin creations have been exhibited at Quincy's Art and Things in Seaside, Affinity Boutique in Gulf Place, and Drift in Inlet Beach. Ms. Newsome's work is also exhibited at the Mountain Made Gallery in Franklin, North Carolina. She was the 2013 winner of the People's Choice Award at the juried art show "A Plus Arts" for her watercolor painting of an 800-year-old Italian villa, and is also an active member of the Women's Art Network and the Cultural Arts Alliance of Walton County.

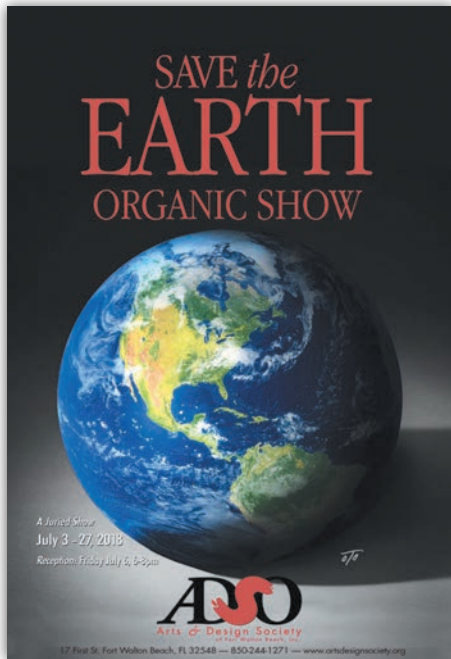
Library hours are 9 AM-6 PM Mondays, and 9 AM-5 PM Tuesday through Saturday.

**OPENS JULY 1. ADSO WINDOW GALLERY DISPLAY AT THE ART CENTER GALLERY, FORT WALTON BEACH**



The July spotlight is on the work of award-winning **Chique Brooks**, who specializes in portraits and florals, aiming to express elegance, warmth, wonder, whimsy and serenity in her work. Discover more at **akachique.com**.

**OPENS JULY 3. ADSO'S "SAVE THE EARTH/ ORGNANIC" SHOW AT THE ART CENTER GALLERY, FORT WALTON BEACH**



Through **July 27**, ADSO features works inspired by saving and/or destroying the environment. Reception Friday, **July 6**, 6-8 PM.

## ART GALLERIES

**ADARO ART** features works from 2015 South Walton Artist of the Year Juan Francisco Adaro, as well as other well-known local and international artists. Open daily from 10 AM to 5 PM. Now located in the Shops at the Hub, 7000 E. Scenic Highway 30A, Suite 21, Watersound, 561-985-5767. Email **adaro.art@gmail.com** or visit **adaroart.com** for more info.

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Rosa Beach, 850-660-6560 or 250-901-0718. Check out more at **AMuseartstudio.com**.

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**ARTISTS AT GULF PLACE** Eight great artists, one great location. Art, photography, pottery, jewelry, tie dye, glass art, woodworking, classes, workshops and more. Open seven days a week. 40 Town Center Loop, Santa Rosa Beach, 850-622-0400. **www.artistsatgulfplace.com**.

**ARTS AND DESIGN SOCIETY** Features art shows by local and regional artists. Open afternoons Tuesday through Saturday. Shows change monthly. Art classes and workshops in various media. 17 First Street SE, Fort Walton Beach. 850-244-1271. **www.artsdesignsociety.org**.

**CHROMA STUDIO & GALLERY** features the art of South Walton's 2018 Artist of the Year **Kathleen Broaderick**. Browse Kathleen's original oil paintings in the gallery or take a boutique paint class in Kathleen's studio. Kathleen offers oil painting workshops featuring her energetic, loose and colorful style, as well as acrylic paint classes for artists and non-artists alike. The CHROMA Studio & Gallery is a place where guests will feel comfortable expressing themselves and finding joy in art. CHROMA is located at 3925 West County Highway 30A in Santa Rosa Beach (just west of Goatfeathers restaurant). Visit **www.CHROMA30A.com** or call 1-844-5-CHROMA for more information.

**FULL CIRCLE GALLERY AND STUDIO** is a contemporary and inspirational art space. We feature the works of regional artists in our gallery and offer an array of art classes with award-winning artists. We also have Paint Your Own Pottery. Come get creative with us! Located at 29B Eglin Parkway SE, Fort Walton Beach, 850-362-8041. **www.fullcirclefwb.com**.

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**MARY HONG GALLERY** Located in Grayton Beach (Shops of Grayton), Destin (next to Ulta and Michael's), Nashville (4th and Union next to DoubleTree Hotel) and on Magazine Street in New Orleans. Mary Hong, the 2014 South Walton Artist of the Year, has been featured in over 10 publications and has appeared on *Emeril's Florida* TV show and HGTV's *House Hunters*. Mary's take on glass art incorporates the use of repurposed glass on painted canvas. She and her team offer classes at The Shard Shop, located adjacent to or inside her gallery locations. Classes are offered four to five times

a day, and there is an extensive retail section full of thousands of pounds of glorious glass and art kits to take your ShardWorx on the go. We host parties and team events, too. Grayton Beach gallery open seven days a week, 9:30 AM-5 PM 850-231-1416. **MaryHongStudio.com**.

**THE SHARD SHOP** open seven days a week, 9:15 AM-4 PM. 850-231-0544. **ShardShop.com/Grayton**. Destin gallery and Shard Shop open seven days a week, 9 AM-7 PM. 850-842-4440. **ShardShop.com/Destin**.

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## CALL TO ARTISTS

**Arts and Design Society's "Save the Earth/ Organic" Show**

Open to all interested artists. Theme is "saving the environment and/or the destruction of the environment." Cash awards. The show runs **July 3-27** at the Art Center Gallery in Fort Walton Beach with a reception **July 6**.

Turn in work at the Art Center Gallery in Fort Walton Beach Saturday, **June 30**, 1-4 PM, and Monday, **July 2**, 9 AM-noon. Copy of entry form with details available at **ArtsDesignSociety.org**. Call 850-244-1271 for more info.

**Mattie Kelly Arts Foundation Festival of the Arts**

Artist applications and poster competition entries are now being accepted.

Mattie Kelly Arts Foundation's Festival of the Arts is one of the southeast's premier festivals and showcases over 100 artists from across the U.S. The festival is a celebration of art, music, food, family fun and features live music, a food bistro, wine and beer garden, art activities for kids, merchandise and more. The Festival will be held **Oct. 27 and 28** at the Mattie Kelly Cultural Arts Village in Destin.

Artists display their pieces and compete for \$10,000 in cash award prizes. Artists must pay a \$30 non-refundable jury fee and a \$210 booth fee.

The winning design for the official poster competition will become the signature artwork for festival t-shirts, posters, marketing collateral, merchandise and will be displayed on the cover of the festival guide (which has over 30,000 distributions). The winning artist will also receive a \$500 cash prize.

Artist and poster application deadline is **June 27**. Visit **MattieKellyArtsFoundation.org** for artist application, rules of participation, and poster entry form. Call 850-650-2226 or email **info@mattiekellyartsfoundation.org** for more info.





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# Remaking Bluegrass History... The Cleverlys

By Nikki Hedrick

**Bluegrass has a** storied history. The music's origins reach across the Atlantic. Its roots became prolific in the 1950s, and the Newgrass revival continues to spawn festivals.

Traditional bluegrass has a reputation for taking itself too seriously, and that's where **The Cleverlys** come in.

Founder **Paul Harris** describes the band in a colorful way. "There is a writer from the *New York Times* that I always quote, 'cause it's the best way to describe it. They said, 'If Dolly Parton, Earl Scruggs, and Spinal Tap spawned a litter of puppies, it would be the Cleverlys.'"

It goes without saying that this is a bluegrass band that breaks a few rules along the way.

Harris found his footing as a comedian—a staple in Branson, Missouri, opening for Jeff Foxworthy—but it's through The Cleverlys that he's achieved viral status.

When asked how the concept of melding bluegrass with current popular music came about, Harris replies, "You know, it actually started as a television concept about a faux family band. Are you familiar with Spinal Tap?"

Harris says his first foray into music was a punk band. Somehow it's a fitting segue to The Cleverlys' irreverence.

"I wanted to marry my love of music and comedy into one act," he says. "I always say it's immaculate conception, 'cause it just came to me one time—the idea for the Cleverlys faux family band from the Ozarks. To be traditionalists in the bluegrass industry, but they play pop and hip-hop music."

After a few YouTube videos gained steam, an agent and manager soon followed. That "immaculate conception" has led to eight years of touring, regular gigs, and a whole lot of fun.

Each band member builds his own persona, paying tribute to the ultra-serious performance style that often



The Cleverlys perform at the AJ's Street Party Summer Concert Series in Destin Tuesday, July 3.

is connected to the bluegrass genre. "I grew up in the Ozarks," says Harris, "and so I grew up around a lot of bluegrass performers. And onstage, they were super serious, and I always thought that was really funny. So I took all those stereotypes—it's kind of every stereotype about bluegrass musicians and rolled them into The Cleverlys."

Audiences seem to be in on the joke and ready for a good time. "We were worried that in the beginning that people would think that we were making fun of bluegrass, but immediately we were embraced by the bluegrass community," says Harris.

"And (we've) been fortunate to headline some of the biggest festivals in the country over the last four or five years. It's really caught on. I think people knew that bluegrass really needed something of this nature, just

something different. Something with comedy, something with more of a stage show. And we've been able to provide that, and I think that people appreciate that.

"For the most part, I've got to tell you, we really do get good reviews. It's heartwarming, 'cause that's the genre of music that's always been near to my heart, so to be embraced by (the bluegrass) community has really been exciting to us."

The Cleverlys have been through a few lineup changes, something Harris is okay with. But there is always a focus on musicianship, even as the new members develop their on-stage personas.

Although The Cleverlys write original songs, the Internet is littered with the band's covers of '90s hip-hop, '80s chart-toppers, and even more

recent earworms. Harris says the selection process often has a life of its own with songs that seem to be givens never quite making the cut to live performances.

On **July 3**, The Cleverlys invade AJ's in Destin for the Street Party Summer Concert Series on the Jumbotron Stage at 10 PM.

So what can we expect at the show? "It's just...it's entertainment," says Harris. "If you come in with an open mind and are ready to enjoy yourself, it's something that just about any age demographic can enjoy. We've literally played for people from nine to 90."

The Cleverlys recently signed to Mountain Home Records and plan to release a new album late in the summer. Discover more at **TheCleverlys.com**.



# Music > The Pauseandplay.com Record Roundup

Musicians - send your CDs, vinyl and/or cassettes to Beachcomber, P.O. Box 5707, Destin, FL 32540-5707. Email MP3s and streaming links to [chris@beachcomberdestin.com](mailto:chris@beachcomberdestin.com).

## DFI-9 *All Systems Go* Independent



Fans of lo-fi oddness will likely cozy right up to DFI-9's newest EP. It's like the peculiar lovechild of David Byrne and a '70s garage band—it's fun, a bit space-inspired, and best played at loud volumes. If you like your rock music a little more free-range, an organic serving of DFI-9 might be in order.

- Nikki Hedrick

## Caroline Goulding *Korngold & Mozart Violin Concertos* Claves



I interviewed violinist Caroline Goulding some years back, when she was making headlines as a child (and teen) prodigy. I found her focused, mature and full of enthusiasm about exploring her instrument. Her latest album offers six works by fellow Austrians Erich Wolfgang Korngold and

Wolfgang Mozart. Mozart needs no introduction, but Korngold may be best known as the composer of scores for Hollywood epics like *Captain Blood*, *The Adventures of Robin Hood*, and *The Sea Hawk*. Both composers had a flair for the dramatic, and Goulding's spirited, adventuresome musicianship is ideally suited to them.

- Bruce Collier

## Marcus Miller *Laid Black* Blue Note

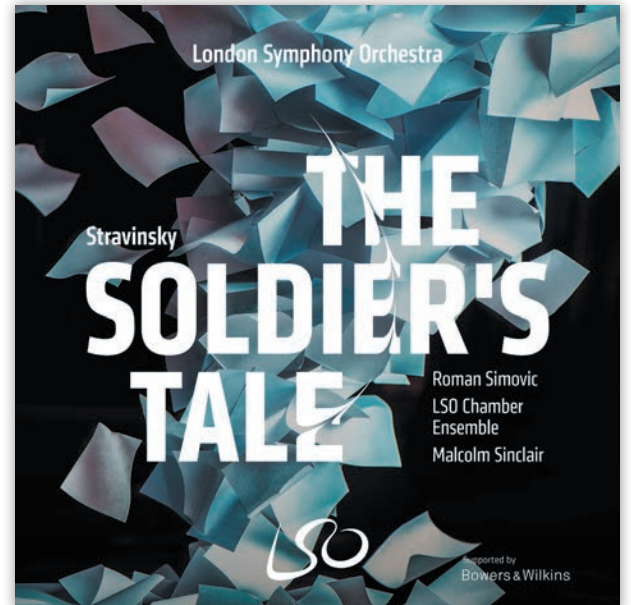


Marcus Miller can play bass, reeds, and keyboard; he composes and sings. Among his lengthy roster of collaborators are Miles Davis, Herbie Hancock and LL Cool J. He also leads, and *Laid Black* shows that off to maximum advantage. Nine tracks include riffs on standards like "Que Sera Sera" with singer Selah Sue (sorry, Doris Day), funk/hip-hop fusions ("Keep 'em Runnin'") and a thoughtful, hummable gospel track ("Preacher's Kid") with saxophonist Kirk Whalum and Huntsville a cappella band Take 6. The fabulous Trombone Shorty shows up on "7-Ts." My trouser cuffs started flaring after only eight bars. Right on.

- Bruce Collier

## Roman Simovic, Malcolm Sinclair, LSO Chamber Ensemble *The Soldier's Tale* Bowers & Wilkins

Ukrainian violinist Roman Simovic, British stage and screen actor Malcolm Sinclair, and the London Symphony Orchestra Chamber Ensemble team up to present Igor Stravinsky's *The Soldier's Tale*. It's a familiar story—a soldier bargains with the Devil for possession of his soul (represented



by a violin) against a promise of wealth. It's the sort of musical theater the Russians do best, especially as interpreted by the English. The piece is traditionally produced with three actors and a dancer or two. Sinclair deftly handles all the voices, and Simovic's dance-y fiddling blends folk, modern and a touch of early jazz.

- Bruce Collier

## Starcult *Yakuza* Independent



Originating from the area and framed around manga and anime shows, this is a stellar hip-hop concept album. Kudos to the Starcult ensemble for sharing their love of Japanese pop-culture.



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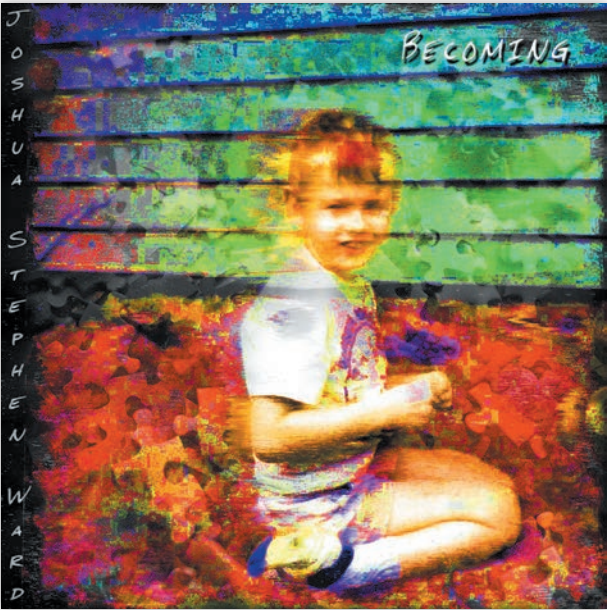
# Music > The Pause-andplay.com Record Roundup

With precise modern production and energetic back-and-forth verses, Starcult hits it out the park with this full-length release.

- Nikki Hedrick

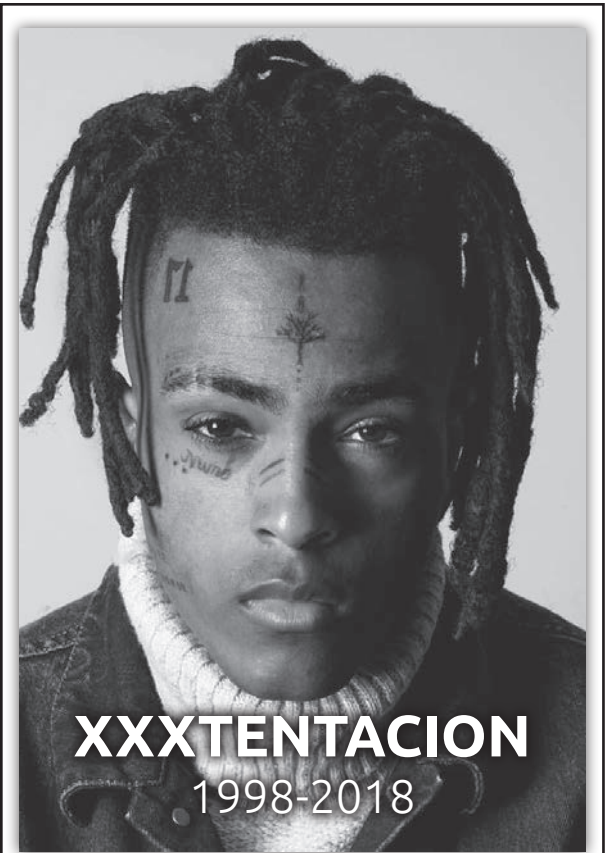
## Joshua Stephen Ward

*Becoming*  
Independent



Gulf Coast musician Ward concocts multi-layered adult pop tunes that touch on love, life, and uncovering one’s identity with a mix of acoustic and electric instrumentation. It’s the stripped-down moments like the piano-backed “Fight for My Soul” that really shine. *Becoming* is a well constructed and executed endeavor that highlights Ward’s voice and talent for crafting memorable songs.

- Nikki Hedrick



# Live Music

Musicians and venues: Email [chris@beachcomberdestin.com](mailto:chris@beachcomberdestin.com) to get your gigs listed here.

## THURSDAY, JUNE 28

**AJ'S ON THE BAYOU, Fort Walton Beach**  
CHRIS HAYES, 5-9 PM

**AL'S BEACH CLUB, Okaloosa Island, AlsBeachClub.com**  
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**FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650**  
SIMPLY D'VYNE, 7 PM

**GROWLER GARAGE 30A, Santa Rosa Beach, GrowlerGarage30A.com**  
MAX McCANN, 4-7 PM

**THE HENDERSON, Destin**  
ROB ROMANS, 4 PM

**LA PLAYA, Santa Rosa Beach**  
FORREST WILLIAMS BAND, 7-10 PM  
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**LUCY BUFFETT'S LULU'S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin**  
DINO LOURDI, 6 PM

**MATTIE KELLY CULTURAL ARTS VILLAGE, Destin, MattieKellyArtsFoundation.org**  
THE MAXX, 7 PM  
*Concerts in the Village. General admission is \$15, MKAF members and kids under 12 FREE. Gates open at 6. No pets or drones permitted.*

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RED BAR JAZZ BAND, 5:30-10 PM

**REDD'S FUELING STATION, Santa Rosa Beach, ReddsFuel.com**  
REDD, THE SINGING BARTENDER, 6:30-10 PM

**RUTH'S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE, Destin**  
MICHAEL J THOMAS, 6-9 PM  
TOM DeVOURSNEY, 6-9 PM (Courtyard)

**SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island**  
JOHN HOORMANN, 8 PM-Midnight

**30AVENUE, Inlet Beach**  
I'MAGENE, 6-9 PM

## FRIDAY, JUNE 29

**AJ'S ON THE BAYOU, Fort Walton Beach**  
BRANDON DAY, 2-6 PM

**AL'S BEACH CLUB, Okaloosa Island, AlsBeachClub.com**  
THE GOOD LOOKINGS, 8 PM-Midnight

**ANGLERS, Okaloosa Island**  
BOBBYD, 6:30-9:30 PM

**THE BOATHOUSE LANDING, Valparaiso**  
ROB ROMANS, 6 PM

**BRIC A BRAC, Destin**  
JONES & COMPANY, 7-10 PM

**CAPT. DAVE'S ON THE GULF, Destin, aptDavesOnTheGulf.com**  
DIKI ROSS, 5-9 PM

**FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650**  
GRAPE DRINK, 8 PM

**GROWLER GARAGE 30A, Santa Rosa Beach, GrowlerGarage30A.com**  
DANNY MCNEIL, 5-8 PM

**HUB STACEY'S, Pensacola**  
SIMPLY D'VYNE, 8:30 PM-Midnight

**LUCY BUFFETT'S LULU'S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin**  
JIMMY LUMPKIN & THE REVIVAL, 1 PM  
DREW TILLMAN, 6 PM

**MODICA MARKET, Seaside**  
THE STEENOS, 5-7 PM

**THE RED BAR, Grayton Beach, 850-231-1008**  
RED BAR JAZZ BAND, 5:30-10 PM

**RUTH'S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE, Destin**  
MICHAEL J THOMAS, 6-9 PM  
TOM DeVOURSNEY, 6-9 PM (Courtyard)

**SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island**  
CHRIS HAYES, 8 PM-Midnight

**30A HORSE FARM AT ARNETT'S GULFSIDE, Santa Rosa Beach, ArnettFarm30A.com**  
ROCKIN DOPSIE JR. – BOUKOU GROOVE, 7 PM  
*Friday Farmhouse Concert Series one-year anniversary event. Doors open at 6:30. Tickets are \$10 general admission, \$25 preferred VIP seating. Call 850-208-3114 for more info.*

**30A SONGWRITER MUSIC AND COFFEE, Santa Rosa Beach**  
Friday Night Originals, 7 PM

**30AVENUE, Inlet Beach**  
GRAPE DRINK, 6-9 PM

# UPCOMING MUSIC RELEASES

## JUNE 29

**The Alarm, Equals**

**Bullet for My Valentine, Gravity.** Also on vinyl.

**The Stanley Clarke Band, The Message**

**John Coltrane, Both Directions at Once: The Lost Album.** Also on vinyl.

**Ray Davies, Our Country: Americana Act II.** Also on vinyl.

**Florence + the Machine, High as Hope.** Also on vinyl.

**Gorillaz, The Now Now.** Also on vinyl.

**Guns N' Roses, Appetite for Destruction (Deluxe Edition).** Also on vinyl.

**Indigo Girls, Indigo Girls Live with the University of Colorado Symphony Orchestra.** Also on vinyl.

**Jim James, Uniform Distortion.** Also on vinyl.

**Charles Lloyd & the Marvels + Lucinda Williams, Vanished Gardens**

**Peter More, Beautiful Disrepair**

**Graham Nash, Over the Years...**

**Yes, Yes: The Steven Wilson Remixes.** Vinyl box set includes *The Yes Album*, *Fragile*, *Close to the Edge*, *Tales from Topographic Oceans* and *Relayer*.

## JULY 6

**DevilDriver, Outlaws 'til the End, Vol. 1.** Also on vinyl.

**Erasure, World Be Live**

**Vince Guaraldi, The Complete Warner Bros.-Seven Arts Recordings**

**Immortal, Northern Chaos Gods**

**Kissin' Dynamite, Ecstasy**

**The Nude Party, The Nude Party.** Also on vinyl.

**Sources:** allmusic.com, metacritic.com, Pauseandplay.com



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### SATURDAY, JUNE 30

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BRANDON DAY, 2-6 PM

**AL'S BEACH CLUB, Okaloosa Island,**  
**AlsBeachClub.com**  
THE GOOD LOOKINGS, 8 PM-Midnight

**BRIC A BRAC, Destin**  
COCONUT RADIO, 6 PM

**CAPT. DAVE'S ON THE GULF, Destin,**  
**CaptDavesOnTheGulf.com**  
JIM COUCH, 5-9 PM

**FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin,**  
**850-424-6650**  
FORREST WILLIAMS BAND, 8:30-11:30 PM

**GROWLER GARAGE 30A, Santa Rosa Beach,**  
**GrowlerGarage30A.com**  
NIC TURNER, 5-8 PM

**HARBORWALK VILLAGE, Destin,**  
**EmeraldGrande.com**  
LUKE LANGFORD BAND, 7:30 PM  
*Rock the Docks*

**HUB STACEY'S, Perdido Key**  
SIMPLY D'VYNE, 7-11 PM

**JIMMY BUFFETT'S MARGARITAVILLE,**  
**HarborWalk Village**  
BRANDON DAY & ADRIAN HOWLAND, 9  
PM-Midnight

**LUCY BUFFETT'S LULU'S, Destin,**  
**lulubuffett.com/destin**  
THE REBECCA BARRY BAND, 1 PM

**THE RED BAR, Grayton Beach, 850-231-1008**  
RED BAR JAZZ BAND, 5:30-10 PM

**REDD'S FUELING STATION, Santa Rosa**  
**Beach, ReddsFuel.com**  
REDD, THE SINGING BARTENDER, 6:30-10 PM

**RUTH'S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE, Destin**  
MICHAEL J THOMAS, 6-9 PM  
TOM DeVOURSNEY, 6-9 PM (Courtyard)

**SANDOLLAR LOUNGE, WHITE SANDS**  
**BOWLING CENTER, Fort Walton Beach**  
BOBBYD, 7-10 PM

**SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island**  
CHRIS HAYES, 8 PM-Midnight

**VINNIE McGUIRE'S, Destin**  
ROB ROMANS, 6 PM

### SUNDAY, JULY 1

**AJ'S, Grayton Beach**  
THE PICKLED PICKERS, 4-8 PM

**AL'S BEACH CLUB, Okaloosa Island,**  
**AlsBeachClub.com**  
DINO LOURDI, 5-9 PM

**CAMILLE'S, Destin,**  
**CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com**  
**DEAN SADOWSKI, 10 AM-Noon**

**EDWARDS FINE FOOD & WINE, Rosemary**  
**Beach**  
JIM COUCH, 5:30-9:30 PM

**FAITH ASSEMBLY CHURCH, Miramar Beach**  
DONNIE SUNDAL – FLY DENTS – PHIL  
CALHOUN – DUKE BARDWELL – SHANNON  
WALLACE, et al., 11 AM

**FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650**  
Jazz Jam with MATT McCARTY, 7-10 PM

**GROWLER GARAGE 30A, Santa Rosa Beach,**  
**GrowlerGarage30A.com**  
GENERAL JEB STUART TABB, 4-7 PM

**LUCY BUFFETT'S LULU'S, Destin,**  
**lulubuffett.com/destin**  
BOUKOU GROOVE, 1 PM  
HOWLIN' JACK, 6 PM

**THE OTHER END, Destin**  
ROB ROMANS, 5 PM

**POMPANO JOE'S, Miramar Beach**  
BOBBYD, 2-5 PM

**THE RED BAR, Grayton Beach,**  
**850-231-1008**  
DREAD CLAMPITT, 11 PM-3 PM and 7-10 PM

**STINKY'S FISH CAMP, Santa Rosa Beach**  
THE STEENOS with FRANKO "WASHBOARD"  
JACKSON, 11 AM

**SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island**  
CHRIS HAYES, 8 PM-Midnight

### MONDAY, JULY 2

**AJ'S, Destin**  
MAT HALL, 4-8 PM

**AJ'S ON THE BAYOU, Fort Walton Beach**  
BRANDON DAY, 5-9 PM

**THE BOATHOUSE OYSTER BAR, Destin**  
ROSHAMBO, 9 PM-1 AM

**FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin,**  
**850-424-6650**  
Blues Jam, 7-10 PM

**GROWLER GARAGE 30A, Santa Rosa Beach,**  
**GrowlerGarage30A.com**  
KEVIN WHOO, 5-8 PM

**LUCY BUFFETT'S LULU'S, Destin,**  
**lulubuffett.com/destin**  
RONNIE PRESLEY, 6 PM

**SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE,**  
**Okaloosa Island**  
CHRIS HAYES, 8 PM-Midnight

### TUESDAY, JULY 3

**AJ'S, Destin**  
THE CLEVERLYS, 10 PM  
*Street Party Summer Concert Series*

**AL'S BEACH CLUB, Okaloosa Island,**  
**AlsBeachClub.com**  
ROBERT WRIGHT, 5-9 PM

**BLUE MOON LOUNGE, Milton**  
Open Mic Night, 8 PM

**THE BOATHOUSE OYSTER BAR, Destin**  
ROB ROMANS, 4 PM

**CAMILLE'S, Destin,**  
**CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com**  
BLAKE GRIFFITHS, 3-5 PM

**EDWARDS FINE FOOD & WINE, Rosemary**  
**Beach**  
JIM COUCH, 5:30-9:30 PM

**FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin,**  
**850-424-6650**  
DONOVAN KEITH, 7 PM

**GROWLER GARAGE 30A, Santa Rosa Beach,**  
**GrowlerGarage30A.com**  
BOB CUSHING, 5-8 PM

**LA PAZ, Destin, LaPazDestin.com**  
SHANE CURLE, 6-9 PM  
*Taco Tuesday*

**REDD'S FUELING STATION, Santa Rosa**  
**Beach, ReddsFuel.com**  
REDD, THE SINGING BARTENDER, 6:30-10 PM



Live Music

RUTH’S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE, Destin  
MICHAEL J THOMAS, 6-9 PM

SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island  
CHRIS HAYES, 8 PM-Midnight

30A HORSE FARM AT ARNETT’S GULFSIDE, Santa Rosa Beach, ArnettFarm30A.com  
IVAN NEVILLE – BOUKOU GROOVE, 7 PM  
Doors open at 6:30. Tickets are \$10 general admission, \$25 preferred VIP seating. Call 850-208-3114 for more info.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 4

AL’S BEACH CLUB, Okaloosa Island, AlsBeachClub.com  
TREST RICHERSON, 5-9 PM  
Okaloosa Island Freedom Fireworks at 9!

BLUE MOON LOUNGE, Milton  
Open Mic Night, 8 PM

CAMILLE’S, Destin, CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com  
TOM DeVOURSNEY, 3-5 PM

FOKKER’S PUB, Fort Walton Beach, 850-244-6666  
PARADISE BAYOU, 6-10 PM

FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650  
GRAPE DRINK, 7 PM

GROWLER GARAGE 30A, Santa Rosa Beach, GrowlerGarage30A.com  
MAX McCANN, 5-8 PM

HARBORWALK VILLAGE, Destin, EmeraldGrande.com  
FORTAG, 7 PM  
Fourth of July Celebration

LUCY BUFFETT’S LULU’S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin  
DREW TILLMAN, 6 PM

OCEAN CLUB, Miramar Beach  
EMERALD GOLD, 7 PM

THE RED BAR, Grayton Beach, 850-231-1008  
RED BAR JAZZ BAND, 5:30-10 PM

REDD’S FUELING STATION, Santa Rosa Beach, ReddsFuel.com  
Open Mic Night, 7-10 PM

RUTH’S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE, Destin  
MICHAEL J THOMAS, 6-9 PM  
JONES & COMPANY, 6-9 PM (Courtyard)

SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island  
JOHN HOORMANN, 8 PM-Midnight

30A SONGWRITER MUSIC AND COFFEE, Santa Rosa Beach  
TED ROCKET Radio Program, 7-8 PM

THURSDAY, JULY 5

AJ’S ON THE BAYOU, Fort Walton Beach  
CHRIS HAYES, 5-9 PM

AL’S BEACH CLUB, Okaloosa Island, AlsBeachClub.com  
BRETT SMITH, 5-9 PM  
Beach Luau Party

CAMILLE’S, Destin, CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com  
DEAN SADOWSKI, 3-5 PM

CAPT. DAVE’S ON THE GULF, Destin, CaptDavesOnTheGulf.com  
BRANDON DAY, 5-9 PM

EDWARDS FINE FOOD & WINE, Rosemary Beach  
JIM COUCH & IKE BARTLEY, 5:30-9:30 PM

FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650  
NICK SCHNEBELEN, 7 PM

GROWLER GARAGE 30A, Santa Rosa Beach, GrowlerGarage30A.com  
ED WRANN, 5-8 PM

LA PLAYA, Santa Rosa Beach  
FORREST WILLIAMS BAND, 7-10 PM  
Ladies Night

LUCY BUFFETT’S LULU’S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin  
DINO LOURDI, 6 PM

POMPANO JOE’S, Miramar Beach  
DIKI ROSS, 6-9 PM

THE RED BAR, Grayton Beach, 850-231-1008  
RED BAR JAZZ BAND, 5:30-10 PM

REDD’S FUELING STATION, Santa Rosa Beach, ReddsFuel.com  
REDD, THE SINGING BARTENDER, 6:30-10 PM

RUTH’S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE, Destin  
MICHAEL J THOMAS, 6-9 PM  
TOM DeVOURSNEY, 6-9 PM (Courtyard)

SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island  
JOHN HOORMANN, 8 PM-Midnight

30AVENUE, Inlet Beach  
IN BUSINESS, 6-9 PM

FRIDAY, JULY 6

AJ’S ON THE BAYOU, Fort Walton Beach  
SUPERFACED, 6-10 PM

AL’S BEACH CLUB, Okaloosa Island, AlsBeachClub.com  
BRETT SMITH BAND, 8 PM-Midnight

ANGLERS, Okaloosa Island  
BOBBYD, 6:30-9:30 PM

BRIC A BRAC, Destin  
JONES & COMPANY, 7-10 PM

CAPT. DAVE’S ON THE GULF, Destin, CaptDavesOnTheGulf.com  
DIKI ROSS, 5-9 PM

GROWLER GARAGE 30A, Santa Rosa Beach, GrowlerGarage30A.com  
DANNY McNEIL, 5-8 PM

LOS CABOS, Navarre  
MAT HALL, 5-9 PM

LUCY BUFFETT’S LULU’S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin  
LAMONT LANDERS BAND, 1 PM  
LEFTY COLLINS, 6 PM

MODICA MARKET, Seaside  
THE STEENOS, 5-7 PM

THE RED BAR, Grayton Beach, 850-231-1008  
RED BAR JAZZ BAND, 5:30-10 PM

REDD’S FUELING STATION, Santa Rosa Beach, ReddsFuel.com  
CATALYST, 7:30-10:30 PM

RUTH’S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE, Destin  
MICHAEL J THOMAS, 6-9 PM  
TOM DeVOURSNEY, 6-9 PM (Courtyard)

SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island  
CHRIS HAYES, 8 PM-Midnight

30A HORSE FARM AT ARNETT’S GULFSIDE, Santa Rosa Beach, ArnettFarm30A.com  
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30A SONGWRITER MUSIC AND COFFEE, Santa Rosa Beach  
Friday Night Originals, 7 PM

30AVENUE, Inlet Beach  
I’MAGENE, 6-9 PM

SATURDAY, JULY 7

AJ’S ON THE BAYOU, Fort Walton Beach  
BRANDON DAY, 1-5 PM

AL’S BEACH CLUB, Okaloosa Island, AlsBeachClub.com  
BRETT SMITH BAND, 8 PM-Midnight

BELLA BLUE BAR, Niceville  
ROB ROMANS, 6 PM

BRIC A BRAC, Destin  
COCONUT RADIO, 6 PM

CAPT. DAVE’S ON THE GULF, Destin, CaptDavesOnTheGulf.com  
JIM COUCH, 5-9 PM

EL JALISCO, Destin  
MAT HALL, 5-9 PM

FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650  
CADILLAC WILLY, 8 PM

GROWLER GARAGE 30A, Santa Rosa Beach, GrowlerGarage30A.com  
MAX McCANN, 5-8 PM

HARBORWALK VILLAGE, Destin, EmeraldGrande.com  
I’MAGENE, 7:30 PM  
Rock the Docks

JIMMY BUFFETT’S MARGARITAVILLE, HarborWalk Village  
BRANDON DAY & ADRIAN HOWLAND, 9 PM-Midnight

LUCY BUFFETT’S LULU’S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin  
LAMONT LANDERS BAND, 1 PM

THE RED BAR, Grayton Beach, 850-231-1008  
RED BAR JAZZ BAND, 5:30-10 PM

RUTH’S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE, Destin  
MICHAEL J THOMAS, 6-9 PM  
TOM DeVOURSNEY, 6-9 PM (Courtyard)

SANDOLLAR LOUNGE, WHITE SANDS BOWLING CENTER, Fort Walton Beach  
BOBBYD, 7-10 PM

SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island  
CHRIS HAYES, 8 PM-Midnight

SUNDAY, JULY 8

AJ’S, Destin  
JONES & COMPANY, 4-8 PM

AJ’S, Grayton Beach  
THE PICKLED PICKERS, 3-7 PM

AJ’S ON THE BAYOU, Fort Walton Beach  
MAT HALL, 1-5 PM



# Live Music

**AL’S BEACH CLUB, Okaloosa Island,**  
**AlsBeachClub.com**  
DINO LOURDI, 5-9 PM

**CAMILLE’S, Destin,**  
**CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com**  
DEAN SADOWSKI, 10 AM-Noon

**EDWARDS FINE FOOD & WINE, Rosemary Beach**  
JIM COUCH, 5:30-9:30 PM

**FAITH ASSEMBLY CHURCH, Miramar Beach**  
DONNIE SUNDAL – FLY DENTS – PHIL CALHOUN – DUKE BARDWELL – SHANNON WALLACE, et al., 11 AM

**FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin,**  
**850-424-6650**  
Jazz Jam with MATT McCARTY, 7-10 PM

**GROWLER GARAGE 30A, Santa Rosa Beach,**  
**GrowlerGarage30A.com**  
CHRIS WILLMAN, 4-7 PM

**GULF PLACE ON 30A, Santa Rosa Beach**  
RUST & GOLD, 6-8 PM

**LUCY BUFFETT’S LULU’S, Destin,**  
**lulubuffett.com/destin**  
BOUKOU GROOVE, 1 PM  
KYLE BRADY, 6 PM

**THE OTHER END, Destin**  
ROB ROMANS, 5 PM

**POMPANO JOE’S, Miramar Beach**  
BOBBYD, 2-5 PM

**THE RED BAR, Grayton Beach, 850-231-1008**  
DREAD CLAMPITT, 11 AM-3 PM and 7-10 PM

**STINKY’S FISH CAMP, Santa Rosa Beach**  
THE STEENOS with FRANKO “WASHBOARD” JACKSON, 11 AM

**SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island**  
CHRIS HAYES, 8 PM-Midnight

## MONDAY, JULY 9

**AJ’S, Destin**  
MAT HALL, 4-8 PM

**AJ’S ON THE BAYOU, Fort Walton Beach**  
BRANDON DAY, 5-9 PM

**THE BOATHOUSE OYSTER BAR, Destin**  
ROSHAMBO, 9 PM-1 AM

**FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650**  
Blues Jam, 7-10 PM

**LUCY BUFFETT’S LULU’S, Destin,**  
**lulubuffett.com/destin**  
KYLE BRADY, 6 PM

**SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island**  
CHRIS HAYES, 8 PM-Midnight

## TUESDAY, JULY 10

**AJ’S, Destin**  
ELECTRIC AVENUE: THE ‘80S MTV EXPERIENCE, 10 PM  
*Street Party Summer Concert Series*

**AL’S BEACH CLUB, Okaloosa Island,**  
**AlsBeachClub.com**  
ROBERT WRIGHT, 5-9 PM

**APPLE ANNIE’S ROOM, SEVILLE QUARTER, Pensacola**  
SAL SALAZ, 6:30 PM  
Capture the Moment *CD Release Party*

**BLUE MOON LOUNGE, Milton**  
Open Mic Night, 8 PM

**THE BOATHOUSE OYSTER BAR, Destin**  
ROB ROMANS, 4 PM

**CAMILLE’S, Destin,**  
**CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com**  
BLAKE GRIFFITHS, 3-5 PM

**EDWARDS FINE FOOD & WINE, Rosemary Beach**  
JIM COUCH, 5:30-9:30 PM

**FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650**  
SCHATZI + THE STRING BOFFIN, 7 PM

**LA PAZ, Destin, LaPazDestin.com**  
SHANE CURLE, 6-9 PM  
*Taco Tuesday*

**LUCY BUFFETT’S LULU’S, Destin,**  
**lulubuffett.com/destin**  
JUSTIN YAWN, 5 PM

**REDD’S FUELING STATION, Santa Rosa Beach, ReddsFuel.com**  
REDD, THE SINGING BARTENDER, 6:30-10 PM



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**RUTH’S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE, Destin**  
MICHAEL J THOMAS, 6-9 PM

**SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island**  
CHRIS HAYES, 8 PM-Midnight

**30A SONGWRITER MUSIC AND COFFEE, Santa Rosa Beach**  
Open Mic Live, 7-10 PM

## WEDNESDAY, JULY 11

**AL’S BEACH CLUB, Okaloosa Island,**  
**AlsBeachClub.com**  
MYKE VAN NESS, 5-9 PM  
*Fireworks at 9!*

**BLUE MOON LOUNGE, Milton**  
Open Mic Night, 8 PM

**CAMILLE’S, Destin,**  
**CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com**  
TOM DeVOURSNEY, 3-5 PM

**FOKKER’S PUB, Fort Walton Beach, 850-244-6666**  
PARADISE BAYOU, 6-10 PM

**FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650**  
I’MAGENE, 7 PM

**GROWLER GARAGE 30A, Santa Rosa Beach,**  
**GrowlerGarage30A.com**  
ROB ROMANS, 5-8 PM

**LUCY BUFFETT’S LULU’S, Destin,**  
**lulubuffett.com/destin**  
THREE BEAN SOUP, 6 PM

**OCEAN CLUB, Miramar Beach**  
EMERALD GOLD, 7 PM

**THE RED BAR, Grayton Beach, 850-231-1008**  
RED BAR JAZZ BAND, 5:30-10 PM

**REDD’S FUELING STATION, Santa Rosa Beach, ReddsFuel.com**  
Open Mic Night, 7-10 PM

**RUTH’S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE, Destin**  
MICHAEL J THOMAS, 6-9 PM  
JONES & COMPANY, 6-9 PM (Courtyard)

**SANDOLLAR LOUNGE, WHITE SANDS BOWLING CENTER, Fort Walton Beach**  
BOBBYD, 7-10 PM

**SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island**  
JOHN HOORMANN, 8 PM-Midnight

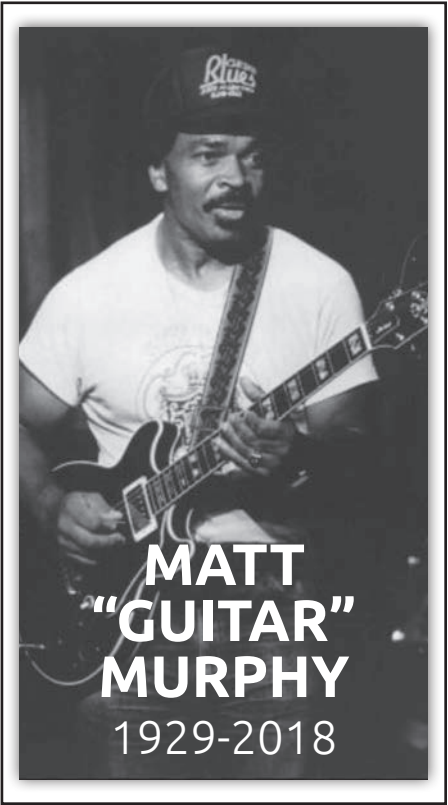
**30A SONGWRITER MUSIC AND COFFEE, Santa Rosa Beach**  
TED ROCKET Radio Program, 7-8 PM

**THE VILLAGE OF BAYTOWNE WHARF, Sandestin, BaytowneWharf.com**  
FORREST WILLIAMS BAND, 7-9 PM  
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# PET OF THE ISSUE

## Mooch

Submitted by Erinn Stranko

Mooch was born June 8, 2017, in Bethel, Alaska, and was rescued as part of an abandoned litter named “The Fruit Basket Puppies” through the Alaska Animal Rescue Friends (AARF). Erinn had to beg her husband and their other dog to allow the adoption of Mooch, but it turns out Erinn had already submitted her application to adopt him. “He was too cute to pass up,” says Erinn.

On his first day home, Mooch was stung by a bee. Subsequently, Mooch has gotten stung at least twice more “including a time he tried to eat one and his face swelled up A LOT,” says Erinn.

Mooch is known as a “village dog”—a mix of Alaska’s village breeds—but Erinn and her family call him a “Bethel Special.” “He was teeny tiny when we adopted him at eight weeks—probably about three and a half pounds,” says Erinn. “At one year old, he has topped out at 28 pounds and is mostly legs.”

Mooch and Erinn (the director of marketing and sponsorship for The REP Theatre in Seaside) are frequent flyers, traveling back and forth from Anchorage, Alaska, to Seaside. “Mooch is the perfect size to fly as a carry-on and sleeps quietly under the seat in his comfy soft-sided crate,” says Erinn.

Mooch loves to eat bubbles from the bathtub and has a children’s bubble machine he loves to play in. Follow our Pet of the Issue on Instagram [@moochthapooch](#).



**ABOVE: Mooch digging in the flower garden.**



**ABOVE: Mooch stage manages at The REP Theatre in Seaside.**



**ABOVE: Mooch making sure the fresh made bed is properly seasoned.**



**LEFT: “Ball is life,” says Mooch.**

Submit your best friend for a future Pet of the Issue feature! Email [chris@beachcomberdestin.com](mailto:chris@beachcomberdestin.com).



Events

All information is subject to change. Please refer to the contact numbers and/or emails/websites for up-to-the-minute details. Send us your July 12-25 events by 5 PM Thursday, July 5, or they will not be in our next issue. Please submit events in the format used here. Photos welcome. Email [chris@beachcomberdestin.com](mailto:chris@beachcomberdestin.com).

THURSDAY, JUNE 28

**BEACH LUAU PARTY**  
*Al's Beach Club & Burger Bar, Okaloosa Island, 5-9 PM*  
**AlsBeachClub.com**  
Family-friendly event featuring island dance and fire performances, and other thrilling acrobatics by **Aerial Events** beginning at 8 PM. Prizes for tropical beach games for kids and adults (hula hoop, limbo, etc.), plus live music from **Jamel Boast**, Polynesian pig roast, tropical cocktails, and a fantastic view of the Gulf of Mexico.

**LET FREEDOM RING | ALL-AMERICAN TRIBUTE**  
*HarborWalk Village, Destin, 6:30 PM*  
**EmeraldGrande.com**  
One-of-a-kind vintage WWII air show, live entertainment, fireworks and more.

**MAGICAL THURSDAY**  
*The Village of Baytowne Wharf, Sandestin, 7 and 8 PM*  
**BaytowneWharf.com**  
**Captain Davy** takes you on an adventure with two fantastic magic shows.

**PETE THE CAT EXTRAVAGANZA**  
*Destin Library, 3:30 PM*  
850-837-8572  
A rip-roaring time guaranteed for all, with reading, singing, dancing, crafts and activities celebrating James Dean and Eric Litwin's popular literary character. Seating is limited,

so parents of children in grades 1-3 are encouraged to preregister at **CityofDestin.com/171/Youth-Services**.

FRIDAY, JUNE 29

**ANIMAL TALES – “BORN TO BE WILD”**  
*Destin Library, 3 PM*  
850-837-8572  
As part of the library's summer reading program, kids can see a variety of exotic animals from all over the world. Seating is limited and will be on a first-come, first-served basis.

**FITNESS ON THE LAWN**  
*The Market Shops, Sandestin, 9 AM*  
**TheMarketShops.com**  
FREE Bootcamp with **Cayce Collins** of Encore Fitness. Bring your own mat.

SATURDAY, JUNE 30

**GRAND BOULEVARD FARMERS MARKET**  
*Grand Boulevard at Sandestin, 9 AM-1 PM*  
**GrandBoulevard.com**  
**INTRO TO BLACKSMITHING**  
*Heritage Museum of Northwest Florida, Valparaiso, 10 AM-2 PM*  
**Heritage-Museum.org**  
Try your hand at the forge with local blacksmith **Billy Hay**. Wear sturdy shoes, long pants and long-sleeved shirt. Limited space, so call 850-678-2615 to reserve a spot. Cost is \$85 (\$80 for museum members)—all supplies included.



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## SEASIDE FARMERS MARKET

Seaside, 8 AM  
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## SUNDAY, JULY 1

### SUNDAY MARKET

Gulf Place on 30A, Santa Rosa Beach, 4-8 PM  
GulfPlaceFL.com  
Artwork, candles, food and more from Emerald Coast artisans.

### 30A FARMERS MARKET

Rosemary Beach, 9 AM-1 PM  
Satisfying salts, teas, spices, blends and more.

## MONDAY, JULY 2

### FITNESS ON THE LAWN

The Market Shops, Sandestin, 9 AM  
TheMarketShops.com  
FREE Slow Flow Yoga with **Dannica Marie**. Bring your own mat.

### HYDROFLIGHT MONDAY

The Village of Baytowne Wharf, Sandestin, 6:30 and 8:30 PM  
BaytowneWharf.com  
Fly-board guru **Ben Merrell** soars over the Baytowne lagoon and makes waves.

## TUESDAY, JULY 3

### BOOMIN' TUESDAY

The Village of Baytowne Wharf, Sandestin, 7-9:15 PM  
BaytowneWharf.com  
Lawn games and inflatables in the Events Plaza, followed by a breathtaking fireworks show at 9:15.

### FAT TUESDAY PARADE

HarborWalk Village, Destin, 7 PM  
EmeraldGrande.com  
Dazzling floats, colorful costumes, street performers, and live music on the main stage. Plus beads! Parade starts at 8:30.

### SMOKE ON THE COAST BBQ & FIREWORKS FESTIVAL

Destin Commons, 5-10 PM  
DestinCommons.com  
This year, 18 area charities team up with various restaurants and BBQ aficionados to fire up their grills. Attendees will sample mouth-watering BBQ dishes hot off the grills and cast their votes for the coveted People's Choice title, and celebrity judges will award Judge's Pick winners. Starting at 5 PM. Beachcomber Music Award winners **I'magene** and **The Wide Open** will entertain, along with festive street performers. Plus—kids' activities. BBQ sampling for \$1 per sample is from 5:30 to 8 PM. The festivities conclude at 9:15 with fireworks.

## WEDNESDAY, JULY 4

### FIREWORKS

The Boardwalk, Okaloosa Island, 9 PM  
TheBoardwalkOl.com/fireworks  
Boom boom, baby!

### FITNESS ON THE LAWN

The Market Shops, Sandestin, 9 AM  
TheMarketShops.com  
FREE Buti Yoga with **Katie Truax**. Bring your own mat.

### FOURTH OF JULY AT HARBORWALK VILLAGE

HarborWalk Village, Destin, 7 PM  
EmeraldGrande.com  
Kids' crafts, live music by **Fortag**, fire spinning show, and fireworks over the Destin Harbor at 9 PM.

### FOURTH OF JULY AT THE LANDING

Fort Walton Beach Landing Park, 4 PM  
FWB.org  
Live music with Beachcomber Music Award winners **I'magene** and **Shenanigans**, book signing by **Lt. Col. Richard E. Cole**, free kids' games and activities, and fireworks at 8:45 PM.

### RED, WHITE AND BAYTOWNE

The Village of Baytowne Wharf, Sandestin, 6-9 PM  
BaytowneWharf.com  
Family fun, live music from **Donovan Keith** at 7, and fireworks at 9:15.

### \$2 ADMISSION DAY

Heritage Museum of Northwest Florida, Valparaiso, 10 AM-4 PM  
Heritage-Museum.org  
View historic exhibits and enjoy a cup of coffee in the Heritage Café. Kids will enjoy the Discovery Room and its hand-on activities, while adults are invited to take a stroll in Paradise Gardens.



## THURSDAY, JULY 5

### BEACH LUAU PARTY

Al's Beach Club & Burger Bar, Okaloosa Island, 5-9 PM  
AlsBeachClub.com  
Family-friendly event featuring island dance and fire performances, and other thrilling acrobatics by **Aerial Events** beginning at 8 PM. Prizes for tropical beach games for kids and adults (hula hoop, limbo, etc.), plus live music from **Brett Smith**, Polynesian pig roast, tropical cocktails, and a fantastic view of the Gulf of Mexico.

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BaytowneWharf.com  
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## FRIDAY, JULY 6

### FITNESS ON THE LAWN

The Market Shops, Sandestin, 9 AM  
TheMarketShops.com  
FREE Bootcamp with **Cayce Collins** of Encore Fitness. Bring your own mat.

## SATURDAY, JULY 7

### GRAND BOULEVARD FARMERS MARKET

Grand Boulevard at Sandestin, 9 AM-1 PM  
GrandBoulevard.com

### SEASIDE FARMERS MARKET

Seaside, 8 AM  
SeasideFL.com

### SOAP MAKING

Heritage Museum of Northwest Florida, Valparaiso, 1-3 PM  
Heritage-Museum.org  
Learn the basics using the cold-process method, and take home your own one-pound batch of soap. Cost is \$50 (\$45 for museum members)—all materials included.

## SUNDAY, JULY 8

### SUNDAY MARKET

Gulf Place on 30A, Santa Rosa Beach, 4-8 PM  
GulfPlaceFL.com  
Artwork, candles, food and more from Emerald Coast artisans.

### 30A FARMERS MARKET

Rosemary Beach, 9 AM-1 PM  
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## MONDAY, JULY 9

### FITNESS ON THE LAWN

The Market Shops, Sandestin, 9 AM  
TheMarketShops.com  
FREE Slow Flow Yoga with **Dannica Marie**. Bring your own mat.

# Beachside Worship Services

### CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION

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### CORPUS CHRISTI CATHOLIC CHURCH

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### DESTIN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday services—7:30 AM beach services at Henderson Beach State Park, Destin Crab Trap, and the Okaloosa Island Boardwalk; 9:30 AM Xalt service (contemporary) at Destin Life Center; 9:30 AM harbor worship service at Brotula's in Destin; 11 AM traditional service at the Sanctuary; 5:30 PM sunset beach service at Henderson Beach State Park. Call 850-837-2021 or visit **DestinUMC.org**.

### FAITH ASSEMBLY CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Sunday worship services: 8:45 and 11 AM Nursery and children's church is available. Wednesday bible study at 7 PM Located at 306 S. Geronimo St. in Miramar Beach, three blocks west of Silver Sands Outlet Mall. 850-837-7561.

### FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF DESTIN

Sunday bible study at 9:15 AM, worship service at 10:30 AM, prayer group at 5 PM Wednesday supper at 6 PM, followed by youth-kids programs and bible study at 6:30. 201 Beach Drive, 850-837-6515.

### FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF SEAGROVE

Sunday services at 10 AM and Wednesdays at 6 PM 4915 E Hwy. 30A, Seagrove, 850-231-2884.

### GOOD NEWS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday services 8:50 AM, traditional worship 9:45 AM Sunday school, 11 AM, contemporary worship, 4747 Hwy 98W, Santa Rosa Beach, 850-622-9191.

### GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday worship service, 9:30 AM Sunday school for kids, confirmation class for youth, and adult

### HYDROFLIGHT MONDAY

The Village of Baytowne Wharf, Sandestin, 6:30 and 8:30 PM  
BaytowneWharf.com  
Fly-board guru **Ben Merrell** soars over the Baytowne lagoon and makes waves.

## TUESDAY, JULY 10

### BOOMIN' TUESDAY

The Village of Baytowne Wharf, Sandestin, 7-9:15 PM  
BaytowneWharf.com  
Lawn games and inflatables in the Events Plaza, followed by a breathtaking fireworks show at 9:15.

### FAT TUESDAY PARADE

HarborWalk Village, Destin, 7 PM  
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bible study, 10:45 AM 4325 Commons Drive, Destin, 850-654-1679.

### HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH

Beach worship at 8 AM at Ed Walline Park, intersection of Scenic Highway 30A and CR-393, Santa Rosa Beach. Vintage service at 10:15 AM at 3834 U.S. 98 West. For more info, call Pastor Jason Scheler at 850-267-0322 or email **pastorj@hopeonthebeach.org**.

### RESURRECTION CATHOLIC CHURCH

Saturday vigil mass, 5 PM; Sunday masses, 8 and 10:30 AM; Daily liturgies, Monday through Friday, 8:30 AM; Holy Days of Obligation, 8:30 AM and 6 PM; Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Fridays, 9-10 AM; Confessions, Saturdays, 4-4:45 PM or by appointment. 259 Miramar Beach Dr., Destin, 850-837-0358.

### SAFE HARBOR PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday school at 9:30 AM, worship service at 10:30. 801 Airport Road, Destin, 850-837-2133.

### SAINT RITA CATHOLIC CHURCH

Saturday Vigil mass at 5:30 PM year round. Sunday services at 8 AM, 10 AM and 5 PM Holy Day services, call the office please. 137 Moll Drive, Santa Rosa Beach, just off U.S. 98. 850-267-2558. **www.saintritaparish.org**.

### SANTA ROSA COMMUNITY CHURCH

Interdenominational service 10 AM Sundays. 3524 Hwy. 98W, 850-267-7599.

### SHORELINE CHURCH

Non-denominational Sunday services at 8:30, 10 and 11:30 AM Check out our new location at 140 Palmetto Street in Destin, in the old Nighttown building.**www.shorelinechurch.net**.

### ST. ANDREWS EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Service at 10 AM Sundays. 307 Hwy. 98E, Destin, 850-650-2737

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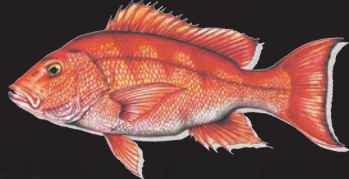
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### WEDNESDAY, JULY 11

#### FIREWORKS

*The Boardwalk, Okaloosa Island, 9 PM*  
**TheBoardwalkOI.com/fireworks**  
Boom boom, baby!

#### FITNESS ON THE LAWN

*The Market Shops, Sandestin, 9 AM*  
**TheMarketShops.com**  
FREE Buti Yoga with **Katie Truax**. Bring your own mat.

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 11- THURSDAY, JULY 12

#### MARVIN DEBOLT JUNIOR GOLF TOURNAMENT

*Eglin Air Force Base Eagle Golf Course*  
The Northwest Florida *Daily News* will be hosts the 39th annual golf classic, with proceeds benefiting the **Emerald Coast Children's Advocacy Center** (ECCAC).

Young golfers ages 8-18, are encouraged to play in the two-day tournament. Youth ages 12-18 will play 18 holes each day (entry fee is \$95), and 8-11-year-olds will play nine holes each day (entry fee is \$60). Tee times start at 8AM both days.

Entry deadline is noon Saturday, **July 7**. Register on-line at **ECCAC.org**. For more info and volunteer opportunities, call 850-833-9237 or email **Chelsea@ECCAC.org**. For sponsorships, call 850-863-1111.

### FRIDAY, JULY 13

#### FLORIDA POLITICS OF THE 1970S AND '80S

*Heritage Museum of Northwest Florida, Valparaiso, Noon*  
**Heritage-Museum.org**  
Author and historian **Robert Buccellato** talks about Florida governors and their lasting legacies. Bring a sandwich and enjoy this FREE lunchtime educational program. Limited space, so call 850-678-2615 to reserve a spot.

### SUNDAY, JULY 15

#### OKALOOSA ARTS ALLIANCE SECOND ANNUAL POETRY, MUSIC & WINE

*Twisted Grape Café & Wine Bar, Shalimar, 2-4 PM*  
**OkaloosaArts.org**  
Join friends and fellow arts supporters for great food and wine, plus open mic for poets and musicians. Tickets are \$25 each or two for \$45. Purchase online, email **amybaty1@gmail.com** or call 850-499-8335.

### SATURDAY, SEPT. 8

#### TWENTY-SIXTH ANNUAL EMERALD COAST CAR, TRUCK AND MOTORCYCLE SHOW

*Mullet Festival Fairgrounds, Niceville*  
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Hosted by **Northwest Model A & T Club, Playground Corvette Club** and **Playground Antique and Classic Car Club**. FREE parking and admission for spectators. Register by mail by **Aug. 31** for \$25—after that, it's \$30. Vehicle registration takes place from 8 AM to noon, favorite car voting from 10 AM to 2 PM, awards at 3. Food and drinks available, plus door prizes and more. Rain or shine event—no refunds.

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# Uniquely Clever Katlyn Arnold

By Samantha Lambert

**Katlyn Arnold** has always had the urge to be different and uniquely creative. She was born and raised in DeFuniak Springs, graduated from Walton High School, and then earned her Bachelor's in Art Education (grades K-12) from Troy University in 2014. Art has always been a passion for her.

Arnold started teaching at Walton Middle School in 2015. There was not an art program in place, so she was able to create one. That first year, she had five classes of 6th grade Visual Arts. The next year, she was able to add one class of 3D Media Advanced and four classes of 6th grade Visual Arts.

Arnold also started an after-school Art Club that year. For the 2017-18 school year, Arnold was able to add a 2D Advanced Art class for 7th graders and a 3D Ceramics class, in addition to three classes of 6th grade Visual Arts.

"When I became an art educator for Walton County, everything just flowed from my brain into my lessons as smooth as glass," Arnold says. "I loved the ability to come up with inspiring topics, unique projects, and dabble in all types of media with different techniques."

But she had also been thinking about being an advocate for the arts throughout local communities and inspiring others with art. "I wanted to expand my horizons. I wanted more!" At the end of this past school year, she decided to leave teaching and start her own art business, Uniquely Clever LLC.

Arnold's goal is to renovate an old school bus and travel around giving art lessons, hosting fundraising and community events, and providing a quality, fun experience. "My husband and I have already started the renovating of the school bus we purchased," she says. "I would like to have individual studio space



Uniquely Clever mastermind Katlyn Arnold with son Hayden and husband Ryan.

inside with fold-out easels and cool décor. There will also be a storage area and a bathroom."

She also plans to paint a mural on both sides of the bus and has already named the vehicle "The Imagination Machine."

Arnold also wants to have DIY parties where adults can socialize, sip some wine, receive one-on-one help from her, and take home a gorgeous masterpiece. Arnold has been creating imaginative birthday parties for her eight-year-old son Hayden over the years and would like to do birthday parties on the bus as well.

Arnold wants to try as many art techniques as possible with her business, including painting, drawing, mixed media and clay. She also wants to recycle and help the environment where she can. "Recycle art is my jam," she says. "I did that a lot with my students in the classroom. I strive to create lessons that focus on recycling, caps, cartons, wire, string, wood, old gadgets, you name it and I will strive for engaging art fun while helping our planet." She eventually wants to add ceramics to her business and purchase a kiln.

Arnold points out that her father is part of her inspiration. "He developed his own welding company and has done very well with that. I want to see how far I can go with my business." Her husband Ryan and son Hayden are behind her 100 percent, along with her former colleagues at Walton County Middle School.

She hopes to open her business in August and has launched her own website, **UniquelyClever.com**. The site is full of bright colors, and many of her paintings are available for purchase there. "I want to support the community by giving discounts to military personnel, first responders, and teachers," Arnold says. "I'd like to collaborate with charities such as animal shelters to raise money and collaborate with schools.

"I want to be different and uniquely creative."





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## EDUCATIONAL

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## FARMERS MARKETS

**30A FARMERS MARKETS** Two convenient locations. Contact Diane at 850-499-4697 for more info.

- **GRAND BOULEVARD FARMERS' MARKET AT SANDESTIN** 600 Grand Boulevard, Miramar Beach. Saturdays year-round, 9 AM-1 PM
- **30A FARMERS' MARKET IN ROSEMARY BEACH COMMUNITY** Sundays year-round, 9 AM-1 PM Thursdays (Memorial Day through Labor Day), 9 AM-1 PM

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**REGATTA BAY GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB** This award-winning 18-hole course offers an extraordinary golfing experience for players of all skill levels and was named one of *Golf Digest's* Top Places to Play. Equipment rental available. 465 Regatta Bay Blvd., Destin, 850-337-8080. [www.regattabay.com](http://www.regattabay.com).

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## MUSEUMS

**DESTIN HISTORY & FISHING MUSEUM** Open year round, Tuesday through Saturday from 10 AM to 4 PM Call for holiday hours of

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## PARKS & PUBLIC BEACH ACCESS

**BEASLEY WAYSIDE PARK** Picnic tables, public beach area, barbecue grills, bathhouse, and restrooms. Gulf side of Okaloosa Island, Hwy. 98W.

**BLACKWATER RIVER STATE PARK** NW of FWB off Hwy. 90. You can catch sight of lots of wildlife while camping, canoeing, hiking, and fishing. Milton, 850-983-5363.

**BLUE MOUNTAIN BEACH** Public parking for this access is located at the south end of CR-83 and Scenic Highway 30-A.

**BRACKIN WAYSIDE PARK** Gulf side of Okaloosa Island on Hwy. 98W. Facilities include restaurants, saloons, children's playground, beach volleyball, three beach accesses, showers, public restrooms, and picnic table.

**CAMP HELEN STATE PARK** offers hiking, birding, beachcombing, swimming, fishing, canoeing and kayaking along with nine historic buildings. Located at 23937 Panama City Beach Parkway (U.S. 98), 12 miles east of 331, seven miles west of Highway 79. 850-233-5059.

**CESSNA BAY** Picnic tables, parking, rest rooms and boat access. 1476 N. CR-393.

**CLEMENT E. TAYLOR CITY PARK** This park is named after one of Destin's early settlers and is on Choctawhatchee Bay. Chock full of shade trees, there are picnic areas and restrooms, but no camping. Destin, off Calhoun Avenue.

**DUNE ALLEN** In Dune Allen beach this access has parking, but no bathrooms, showers or picnic area. 5753 Hwy 30-A W., Santa Rosa Beach.

**ED WALLINE** A large public beach access in South Walton, providing handicapped parking, picnic tables, restrooms and showers. Intersection of Hwy 30-A and CR-393.

**EDEN GARDENS STATE PARK** An historic homestead under majestic, moss-draped oaks with a home surrounded by lawns and seasonal gardens. Tours of the home are Thursday through Monday hourly beginning at 10 AM with the last tour at 3 PM The park and picnic areas are open daily from 8 AM to sunset and located on CR-395 north off Hwy 98 in Point Washington. Call 850-231-4214 for more information.

**GRAYTON BEACH STATE RECREATION AREA** Camping, picnics, hiking, swimming, saltwater fishing, and boating. Showers and electricity are part of the amenities. Access from S. Hwy. 30-A, South Walton, 850-267-8300.

**GRAYTON DUNES** Handicapped and public parking plus beach access. Behind the Red Bar in Grayton Beach.

**GULF SHORE MANOR** Public restrooms, handicapped and public parking. 3468 E. Hwy 30-A, Seagrove Beach.

**GULFVIEW HEIGHTS** Located at the end of Gulfview Heights St, behind Goatfeather's restaurant, this access offers parking, picnic areas and restrooms.

**HENDERSON BEACH STATE PARK** This park has it all: camping, swimming area sheltered picnic areas, grills, and restrooms. But there is no boat ramp and jet skis and other personal watercraft are prohibited. 17000 Hwy. 98W, Destin, 850-837-7550.

**INLET BEACH** This area offers handicapped and public parking, restrooms and dune walkovers to the beach. 438 S. Orange St. in Inlet Beach.

**LEGION BAY** Picnic tables, public parking, boat ramp and restrooms. Intersection of Ponce de Leon and Crest Dr, 191 Crest Dr, Sandestin.

**MARLER MEMORIAL PARK** Public beach area, picnic tables, barbecue grills, boat ramp, restrooms and bathhouse. Bay side of Okaloosa Island, off Santa Rosa Blvd.

**MIRAMAR BEACH ACCESS** Parking with public beach access. Scenic Hwy 98 and Driftwood Road, adjacent to Pompano Joe's.

**TOPSAIL HILL PRESERVE STATE PARK** offers a wide variety of natural resources, including 3.2 miles of public beach access with majestic dunes over 25 feet tall. Our 1,600 acre preserve includes rare coastal dune lakes, old-growth long leaf pines and sand pine scrub, and a variety of wetlands offer a bird watching and hiking paradise. Visitors may bike, walk, or enjoy a quick ride to the beach on our timely tram service to swim, fish, sunbathe or beachcomb. Topsail Hill offers weekly ranger programs for all visitors to enjoy. A park store offers a variety of camping items, as well as souvenirs and bike, kayak, canoe and SUP rentals. Topsail Hill offers weekly ranger programs for all visitors to enjoy. Gregory E. Moore RV resort features a (non-heated) swimming pool and shuffleboard courts. Furnished bungalows are available for weekly stays. 7525 West County Highway 30A Santa Rosa Beach, 850-267-8330. [www.floridastateparks.org/topsailhill](http://www.floridastateparks.org/topsailhill).

## TUMBLING, ETC.

**BEACH ELITE CHEER AND TUMBLE** Here visiting and need to work on your tumbling skills? Just a short 15-minute drive from Destin in the heart of Fort Walton Beach, Beach Elite Cheer and Tumble is the only cheerleading and tumbling facility for ages 3 to 18 in the area. If you're looking for something fun and different to do, let our experienced and nationally certified staff help you out. Try a tumbling class for a \$15 drop-in fee, or open gym every Friday from 6:30 to 10 PM with dinner included for only \$15. For more information, visit [beachelitecheerleading.com](http://beachelitecheerleading.com), call 850-362-6459, or email [info@beachelitecheerleading.com](mailto:info@beachelitecheerleading.com). We hope to see you soon! **#GoodVibes**



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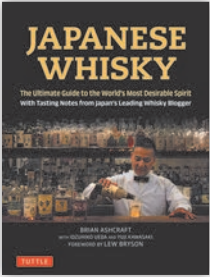


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7.10	Sunrise	5:52am	TIDES
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	Moon	7%	Low 8:11pm

Books

Recommended Reading


**Brian Ashcraft and Yuji Kawasaki**  
*Japanese Whisky: The Ultimate Guide to the World's Most Desirable Spirit*  
Tuttle Publishing



Japanese whisky might be the most confusing subject in world spirits. Japan has only been distilling whisky for some 100 years, overcoming Western prejudice, snatching center stage from Scotland, Ireland and the U.S.A. I remember Suntory whisky in Manhattan bars in the 1980s, sneered at as “imitation scotch.” It never was, but now everyone knows it. Ashcraft covers the major players, detailing Japan’s “vertical integration” business model that pits self-sufficient distillers against each other (as opposed to Scotland and America, where things tend more to the cooperative). Kawasaki offers his opinion and ratings of major whiskies. A much needed manual.

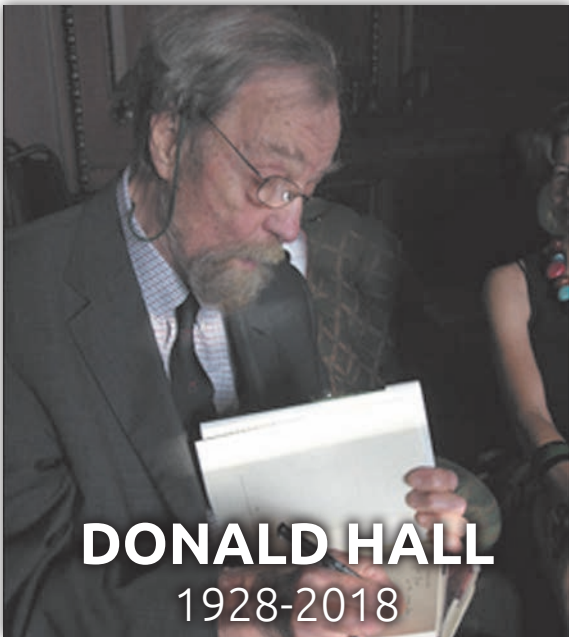
- Bruce Collier

**David Sedaris**  
*Calypso*  
Little, Brown and Company



Much like Sedaris’ other books, *Calypso* is a collection of humorous autobiographical stories. But there are heartfelt aches of tenderness and understanding here as well. Sedaris uses writing and humor to cope with his sister’s suicide, his memories of his alcoholic mother, and his ever-growing sense of mortality (quite literally in the form of a tumor the author had removed and later fed to a turtle). Most of the stories center around the antics of Sedaris and his siblings during time spent at his North Carolina beach house (the “Sea Section”). Longtime fans will delight in the retelling of Sedaris’ Fitbit obsession, which caused him to walk twenty miles a day collecting trash in order to get his steps in. Sedaris’ biting wit and clever observational style are ever-present in the author’s darkest, deepest, and possibly best work to date.

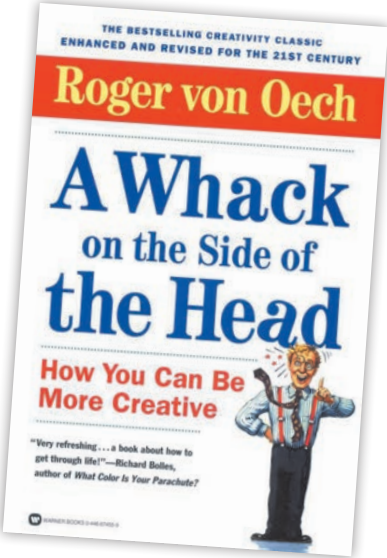
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Book Clubs

**THURSDAY, JULY 5**

**ARTS & DESIGN SOCIETY BOOK STUDY/DISCUSSION GROUP**  
*Art Center Gallery, Fort Walton Beach, 5-6 PM*  
**ArtsDesignSociety.org**  
The current discussion is on Roger von Oech’s *A Whack on the Side of the Head: How You Can Be More Creative*.  


Upcoming Books

**JULY 3**

**Cristina Alger, *The Banker’s Wife***  
**Mark Andersen and Ralph Heibutzki, *We Are the Clash: Reagan, Thatcher, and the Last Stand of a Band That Mattered***. Paperback.  
**Dan Fesperman, *Safe Houses***  
**Caitlin Moran, *How to Be Famous***  
**Martha Nussbaum, *The Monarchy of Fear: A Philosopher Looks at Our Political Crisis***  
**Riley Sager, *The Last Time I Lied***  
**Haroon Ullah, *House of Heroin: Inside the Secret Billion-Dollar Narco-Terror Empire That Is Killing America***  
**Richard Vinen, *1968: Radical Protest and Its Enemies***  
**Ashleigh Young, *Can You Tolerate This?***

**JULY 10**

**Saul Austerlitz, *Just a Shot Away: Peace, Love, and Tragedy with the Rolling Stones at Altamont***  
**David Bell, *Somebody’s Daughter***  
**Anna Clark, *The Poisoned City: Flint’s Water and the American Urban Tragedy***  
**A.E. Hotchner, *The Amazing Adventures of Aaron Broom***  
**Ottessa Moshfegh, *My Year of Rest and Relaxation***  
**John Ross, *The Promise of the Grand Canyon: John Wesley Powell’s Perilous Journey and His Vision for the American West***  
**Hanan al-Shaykh, *The Occasional Virgin***  
**Anne Tyler, *Clock Dance***  
**Beatriz Williams, *Summer Wives***

Source: Netgalley.com, Pauseandplay.com



# Kite Film Fest Seeks Submissions for Third Go-Round

The third annual *Kite Film Fest* takes place Saturday, **Nov. 10**, at Club LA in Destin. Submissions are currently open for the short film event.

“We are so excited to be back for the third year,” says co-founder (and *Beachcomber* contributor) **Nikki Hedrick**. “The community outpouring of support has been incredible. Last year we screened 24 short films, mainly from the region.”

Nikki and mother **Heather Hedrick**—with support from Rock Destin and Club LA—launched Kite Film Fest in 2016. “Our goal is to create an event that supports our local film community—an opportunity to see their hard work and passion (projected) on the big screen,” says Heather.

Submissions will be accepted until **Sept. 1**. Kite Film Fest prides itself on simple, inclusive rules that can be viewed at **KiteFilmFest.com**.

“We want Kite Film Fest to be a celebration,” says Nikki. “It is why the submission process is free. We want to minimize roadblocks for participation for our local film community and the indie film community at large.”

The film festival is named in honor of Heather and Nikki’s family surname, specifically Heather’s parents Gilbert and Ellon Kite.

“We are so grateful to be able to have this opportunity to put the spotlight on the quality of production in our region,” says Nikki. “Although the films are mostly rooted in our region, international submissions and filmmakers from all over the



Kite Film Fest founders Heather Hedrick and Nikki Hedrick.

south have attended (in) past years. (The festival) is an opportunity to support the little guys, local guys, and network with some new faces.”

Further inquiries can be emailed to **KiteFilmFest@gmail.com**.

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## LOCAL FILM SCREENINGS

### SATURDAY, JULY 7

**“STAR WARS: THE LAST JEDI”**

*Uptown Station, Fort Walton Beach, 7:30 PM or Dark (Whichever Comes First)*

**UptownStation.com**

Bring blankets and chairs and re-live the old time drive-in movie experience. FREE.

### SUNDAY, JULY 8

**“PADDINGTON”**

*The Village of Baytowne Wharf, Sandestin, 8 PM*

**BaytowneWharf.com**

Spot-on adaptation of Michael Bond’s iconic Peruvian bear.

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 11

**“MADAGASCAR”**

*Camp Helen State Park, Panama City Beach, 5:30 PM*  
850-233-5058

Fifth annual Movies & More in the park’s Recreation Hall features a program led by a park ranger or other expert. The program is followed by an old-fashioned campfire cookout with hot dogs and s’mores provided by the Friends of Camp Helen. Admission is FREE, but donations will be accepted.

## OPENING SOON IN THEATERS

### JUNE 29

**Sicario: Day of the Soldado.** Josh Brolin, Benecio Del Toro, Catherine Keener, Matthew Modine.

**Uncle Drew.** Kyrie Irving, Nick Kroll, Lil Rey Howery, Tiffany Haddish, Shaquille O’Neal.

### JULY 4

**The First Purge.** Marisa Tomei, Jessica Bell, Chyna Layne.

### JULY 6

**Ant-Man and the Wasp.** Paul Rudd, Evangeline Lilly, Michael Douglas, Walton Goggins.

**Bleeding Steel.** Jackie Chan.

**Sorry to Bother You.** Danny Glover, David Cross, Patton Oswalt, Terry Crews. Directed by Boots Riley.

**Source:** Metacritic.com

## UPCOMING DVD/BLU-RAY/VOD RELEASES

### JUNE 29

**GLOW.** The acclaimed Netflix series is back for round two.

### JULY 3

**Beirut.** Jon Hamm, Rosamund Pike, Dean Norris.

**Blockers.** Hannibal Burress, John Cena, Gary Cole, Leslie Mann.

**Journey’s End.** World War I drama with Toby Jones, Paul Bettany and Tom Sturridge.

### JULY 10

**Chappaquiddick.** Jason Clarke as Ted Kennedy. With Ed Helms, Jim Gaffigan, Kate Mara and Bruce Dern.

**I Am Another You.** “An excellent, intuitive study of American wanderlust,” says the *Village Voice*’s Alan Scherstuhl.

**A Quiet Place.** Actor-director John Krasinski’s highly successful “silent” thriller.

**Sources:** Metacritic.com



Stage > Upcoming Shows

THURSDAY, JUNE 28

ACT4MYSTERY

La Paz, Destin, Seating at 7 PM

Act4Mystery.com

The award-winning whodunit troupe presents **A Medley for Murder**, a funny (and deadly) spin on TV singing competitions. Cost is \$34.95 for the dinner and show, and you can make your reservations online. VIP packages available. Call 850-862-2885 for more info.

AWKWARD OXEN IMPROV

Fonville Press, Alys Beach, 10 AM

LoveTheREP.com

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STORIES BY THE SEA

Seaside Amphitheatre, Santa Rosa Beach, 4 PM

LoveTheREP.com

FREE.

FRIDAY, JUNE 29

STORIES BY THE SEA

Seaside Amphitheatre, Santa Rosa Beach, 4 PM

LoveTheREP.com

FREE.

SATURDAY, JUNE 30

ACT4MYSTERY

Samuel's Roadhouse, Crestview, Seating at 6 PM

Act4Mystery.com

In **Horsin' Around with Murder**, Paula Hilton and the gang take on equestrian competition and all the drama (and comedy) that happens behind the scenes. Cost is \$38 and includes dinner, show, tax and tip. VIP packages available. Call 850-862-2885 for more info. With **Cynthia Bergquist, Sally Whitesell, Jim Downum, Susan DeJesus** and *Beachcomber's* own **Chris Manson**.

MONDAY, JULY 2

"ADVENTURES IN ALYS" STORYTELLING

Fonville Press, Alys Beach, 10 AM

LoveTheREP.com

FREE.



Snow White is at Watersound every Tuesday. More info at ECTheatre.org.

Photo by Nikki Hedrick.

PIRATE SHOW WITH CAPT. DAVY AND THE CROSSBONES CREW

Al's Beach Club and Burger Bar, Okaloosa Island, 5-9 PM

AlsBeachClub.com

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"THE PRINCE AND THE PAUPER"

Seaside Amphitheatre, Santa Rosa Beach, 6:30 PM

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Seaside Amphitheatre, Santa Rosa Beach, 4 PM

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TUESDAY, JULY 3

STORIES BY THE SEA

Seaside Amphitheatre, Santa Rosa Beach, 4 PM

LoveTheREP.com

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WEDNESDAY, JULY 4

"BEAUTY AND THE BEAST"

North Barrett Square, Rosemary Beach, 6:30 PM

LoveTheREP.com

FREE.

STORIES BY THE SEA

Seaside Amphitheatre, Santa Rosa Beach, 4 PM

LoveTheREP.com

FREE.

THURSDAY, JULY 5

AWKWARD OXEN IMPROV

Fonville Press, Alys Beach, 10 AM

LoveTheREP.com

FREE.

STORIES BY THE SEA

Seaside Amphitheatre, Santa Rosa Beach, 4 PM

LoveTheREP.com

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FRIDAY, JULY 6

STORIES BY THE SEA

Seaside Amphitheatre, Santa Rosa Beach, 4 PM

LoveTheREP.com

FREE.

MONDAY, JULY 9

"ADVENTURES IN ALYS" STORYTELLING

Fonville Press, Alys Beach, 10 AM

LoveTheREP.com

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PIRATE SHOW WITH CAPT. DAVY AND THE CROSSBONES CREW

Al's Beach Club and Burger Bar, Okaloosa Island, 5-9 PM

AlsBeachClub.com

"THE PRINCE AND THE PAUPER"

Seaside Amphitheatre, Santa Rosa Beach, 6:30 PM

LoveTheREP.com

FREE.

STORIES BY THE SEA

Seaside Amphitheatre, Santa Rosa Beach, 4 PM

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TUESDAY, JULY 10

STORIES BY THE SEA

Seaside Amphitheatre, Santa Rosa Beach, 4 PM

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WEDNESDAY, JULY 11

"BEAUTY AND THE BEAST"

North Barrett Square, Rosemary Beach, 6:30 PM

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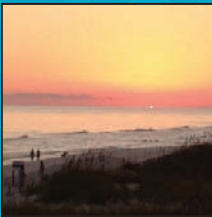
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# Get Some Smoke on the Beach

**Back Beach Barbecue** just celebrated its one-year anniversary. My family and I stopped by on a recent rainy weekend to check out the reports, which were highly favorable. Lunch and takeout followed, and we have now joined the chorus of praise.

The restaurant sits close to the roadside, with a good-sized open parking lot, a small fleet of businesslike meat smokers—some in use, some idling—outdoor seating (both open-air and sheltered) and an indoor dining area. Inside there's a long serving bar, booths, free standing tables, and buckets of iced beverages. The weathered wood walls and ceilings bear guitars, posters, menu boards and signs.

There are overhead fans, but the sweet scent of meat cannot be dissipated. The house music veered between country, bluegrass, progressive bluegrass, and blues. There are TV screens placed here and there.

We arrived early enough for only a very brief wait, but the line of dine-in and takeout customers grew long only minutes later. Our host (I think he was an owner) greeted us, explained the system, and stood by while a trainee prepared our order. Our host was friendly and patient, and the trainee did fine.

Back Beach Barbecue serves a breakfast menu from 6:30 to 10 AM, when the changeover to lunch and supper begins. Breakfast choices include bacon, brisket, sausage, pulled pork or chicken thigh biscuits, egg, cheese and meat tacos, eggs, brisket hash, biscuits and gravy, and a breakfast casserole.



The meats offered on the lunch and dinner menu are beef brisket, Carolina pulled pork, pork ribs (and beef, with advance notice) housemade sausage, turkey breast, smoked wings (advance notice), and chicken.

We ordered brisket and pulled pork sandwiches, sides of BBQ baked beans, mac and cheese (for my daughter Grace), brisket Brunswick stew (which also contained samples of all their meats), bags of chips, and soft drinks. We put in a to-go order for a half-rack of pork ribs and half a chicken. Our host told us there'd be a little wait on the chicken. The meats (and chicken salad) are also available by the pound. The restaurant will prepare tailgate and party packages of various combinations, do limited-area delivery, and catering.

We watched our sandwiches being made. On the brisket, we were asked "Lean or fatty?" and each mound of sliced or pulled meat was carefully arranged, formed, and balanced on the buns. There are three house sauces—Spicy House, Sweet and Smoky, and Carolina Mustard—on every table. I suggest tasting the meat first before adding sauce—you might not need anything at all, or you might want to keep it on the side.

Our food was brought out to us; we got drinks, pulled plastic cutlery, piled up the napkins and fell to. The cup of Brunswick stew was loaded

with sausage—which was dense and meaty—and other meats, chunks of tomato, corn, and peppers. I wish I'd had some cornbread. The brisket was dry-rubbed, with a crisp, salt-and-peppery crust that needed no sauce—though the Carolina Mustard makes a tangy dip. The tender beef was lean, with just a little edge of fat.

The pulled pork had the perfect combination of crisp outside and moist, feathery inside meat. I liked it with the Sweet and Smoky, also on the side. The beans were seasoned with onion, and laced with chunks and slivers of meat. They were less sweet than most places' beans, but you can add whatever sauces you like.

Among the other menu items and sides are loaded baked potatoes with choice of meat, brisket chili, a chopped salad with choice of meat, coleslaw, Carolina collards, and redskin potato salad. There are two desserts—key lime pie and banana pudding—but we did not try them.

Our takeout was ready when we were, and the server brought out boxes for leftovers. We had the ribs and chicken for supper. The ribs were a P.C. (Panama City) Masterpiece, the fat completely melted and permeating the meat, which dropped off the ribs with just a twist, no knife necessary, though a plastic one helped. The falling-apart chicken was likewise tender and moist, with seasoned skin.

In an area that's especially blessed with slow-cooked, smoky meats, Back Beach Barbecue stands out even among the best. We're already coming up with lists of errands to run in the Panama City Beach area, so we can stop by. I have to try a brisket biscuit, just to say it.

**BACK BEACH  
BARBECUE**  
19714 Panama City  
Beach Parkway  
Panama City Beach  
850-249-0822

**Hours:** Breakfast daily, 6:30-10 AM; Lunch and dinner Monday-Thursday and Sunday until 8 PM, Friday and Saturday until 9 PM.

**Reservations:** Not accepted.

**Children's Menu:** Yes

**Dress:** Casual

Another reason to go P.C. (Panama City)... Friendly and helpful staff; relaxed atmosphere; full menu of brisket, pulled pork, ribs, chicken, turkey, sausage and other smoky proteins by the plate or the pound; Brunswick stew; chili; and a barbecue-centric breakfast menu. Beer and wine. \$5-25.



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## Restaurant Guide

If your favorite restaurant isn't listed here, let us know by dropping an email to us at [chris@beachcomberdestin.com](mailto:chris@beachcomberdestin.com)!

### AMERICAN

**CHARLIE'S BURGER BAR** Destin's first true burger bar has it all - Burgers, Bourbon and Beer! Charlie's has a selection of 17 different burgers from lamb, Black Angus, wild boar, bison, even Ostrich. If you don't want one of the already built burgers, make your own. Select the bun you would like, than the protein, pick your cheese and your sides. The soon to be famous deep fried pickles are to die for. Or live a little and go for Charlie's Funky Fries topped with different types of cheeses. Happy hour daily from 3-6 PM Open at 3 PM Mon.-Fri. and 11 AM Saturday and Sunday. \$3-32, HarborWalk Village, Destin, inside the Crab Island Cantina Complex, 850-424-7695. [www.CharliesBurgerBar.com](http://www.CharliesBurgerBar.com).

**RESTAURANT PARADIS** Nestled in the beautiful coastal town of Rosemary Beach, you'll find this hidden gem that loyal customers like to call home. Evoking a warm neighborhood feel, the dining area features an understated wine country elegance. Open for dinner beginning at 5 PM, Paradis is committed to serving fresh seasonal ingredients, which celebrate local produce and an abundance of fresh Gulf seafood, along with prime steaks and fine wines. Paradis welcomes wedding receptions, rehearsal dinners, and all celebrations, both intimate and large. Come join us! Located at 82 S Barrett Square, Rosemary Beach. Call 850-534-0400 or visit [www.restaurantparadis.com](http://www.restaurantparadis.com).

### ASIAN

**LIN'S ASIAN CUISINE** Enjoy carefully prepared and artfully served Chinese and Southeast Asian dishes in a pleasant and welcoming atmosphere. Chicken, beef, pork, duck, fish and shellfish are cooked to suit most tastes, and Lin's offers your favorites—General Tso's chicken, Mongolian beef, pad thai, lo mein and kung pao, among many others. Beer and wine. \$2-15. 130 Scenic Gulf Dr. #5B, Miramar Beach, 850-424-5888.

### BAKERIES

**CAKEMASTER'S BAKERY II** Quality baked goods since 1971, made from scratch on the premises by a fourth generation baker. Decorated cakes for all occasions. New Sweet Expressions cake collection. Breakfast pastries—Danish (cheese, pecan, fruit), assorted coffee cakes, cinnamon rolls, crumb cake, strudel, bienstich, pecan crispies. Delicious delights—brownies, ragulah, cream fingers, biscotti, cookies (wedding, sugar, chocolate chip, raisin, fruit bars, holiday) and more. Refrigerated desserts—éclairs, Boston cream pie, cheesecake, black forest cake, Italian rum cake, Napoleons, French cream puffs and more. Come on by and see us. 105 Beach Drive Suite A-3, Fort Walton Beach (behind Pizza Hut on Racetrack Road), 850-862-4911. Closed Mondays.

### BARBEQUE

**BACK BEACH BARBECUE** offers a delicious yet refined menu highlighted by 12-hour slow cooked meats, simple homemade sides, gluten-free options and four sauces made special in house. At the center of attention are the restaurant's two wood fired pits, "Smokey" and "The Bandit," easily viewed and smelled from the covered patio, outdoor patio or via two garage doors which give the restaurant a true open-air feel. Back Beach Barbecue also offers catering for private and corporate events, delivery and a mobile food truck. The restaurant is open seven

days a week for breakfast, lunch, and dinner, beginning at 6:30 AM. Located at 19714 Panama City Beach Parkway, Panama City Beach. Call 850-249-0822 or visit [www.backbeachbarbecue.com](http://www.backbeachbarbecue.com).

**LILLIE'S Q** Award-winning on the national level barbecue restaurant located at 9848 Hwy. 98 W., Miramar Beach, approximately seven miles east of the Mid Bay Bridge. We offer barbecue that represents all areas of the U.S., such as pulled pork, baby back ribs, smoked chicken breast and beef tri-tip (sliced sirloin). All meat products are slow smoked using natural wood and lump charcoal. Seven sauce choices with delicious side orders and the best banana pudding in the Panhandle. We offer a wrap around porch. No inside seating. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 11 AM-6 PM Call ahead orders welcomed! 850-654-3911.

### BREAKFAST & MORE

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**BLUE COLLAR CAFE** Made to order breakfast and lunch served all day. House made bagels. Full coffee bar with Maas coffee and espresso roasted at the cafe. Home of the famous BOB (breakfast on a bagel) and New York style lox and house-mixed cream cheese. Salads and sides, homemade scones and sweets. Open Mon.-Fri., 7:30 AM-2:30 PM; Saturdays, 8 AM-2 PM 104 Hollywood Blvd. SW, Fort Walton Beach.

**CAMILLE'S CAFE** Start your day with coffee and breakfast. We feature fluffy eggs, cinnamon rolls, apple pie muffins, fresh juice and smoothies. For lunch, enjoy our fresh caught tuna salad on an Asiago cheese bagel, Sriracha turkey sandwich or Mediterranean chicken salad sandwich. Plus all day Bloody Marys, mimosas, beer, and daiquiris made with fresh-squeezed juice. Join our party! 2931 Scenic Highway 98, Destin, 850-337-8860.

**THE LOCAL MARKET** Open 7 AM-3 PM daily. Fresh pressed juices, coffee, breakfast, gourmet sandwiches, homemade ice cream and more. 950 Gulf Shore Drive, Destin, 850-460-8979.

**THE PANCAKERY** Serving breakfast and lunch daily from 7 AM - 2 PM Featuring build your own pancakes and omelettes! Waffles, French Toast, crepes, benedicts, bananas foster and all traditional breakfast items. Also, lunch menu includes sandwiches, burgers, salads, wraps, and loaded potatoes. Now serving bloody marys, mimosas and cold beer. 960 Hwy 98 East, Suite 104, Destin. 850-269-0791.

**TOMMY MATTONIE'S** Looking for upscale breakfast options? We offer 13 different Eggs Benedicts and numerous specialty waffles. Trip Advisor honored us with a Certificate of Excellence for 2015. Our list of New Orleans style po-boys for lunch is just as extensive as the Eggs Benedict selections. We serve only local fresh bay shrimp and offer some of the best slow smoked BBQ in FWB. We also serve salads,



# TV Chef Sara Moulton to Headline Fall Wine & Food Classic

The traditional anniversary gift for celebrating 30 years is the pearl, so it is fitting that the theme for WSRE's 30th Wine & Food Classic is **"Pirates, Pinot & Pearls."**

Celebrity television chef **Sara Moulton** will headline the weekend-long event, which will also spotlight local chefs and restaurants during the annual walkabout tasting on Friday, **Oct. 19**, and a dinner event on Saturday, **Oct. 20**, at the Hilton Pensacola Beach.

So Gourmet & Kitchenry is presenting sponsor of the WSRE Wine & Food Classic and will host a book signing featuring Ms. Moulton and her latest cookbook, *Home Cooking 101: How to Make Everything Taste Better*, on Sunday, **Oct. 21**.

Ms. Moulton began her TV career as a young protégée of Julia Child on the set of *Julia Child & More Company* on PBS and later on *Good Morning America*, where she in time became food editor. She was a central personality on the Food Network during its first decade, and is now herself a star on PBS, having launched a new season of *Sara's Weeknight Meals* in September 2017.

The "Pirates, Pinot & Pearls" theme is also a nod to WSRE's licensee since 1967, as Pensacola State College sports teams and fans are known as the Pirates.

Visit [wsre.org/wineandfood](http://wsre.org/wineandfood) or call 850-484-1054 for event and sponsorship information.

- Mary Riker



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Floribbean tacos, soups and daily specials. Check Facebook for our daily specials. Open 6 AM to 2 PM every day except Mondays. Located at 723 Eglin Parkway NE in FWB near the Shalimar Bridge. 850-862-0895. [www.tommymattonies.com](http://www.tommymattonies.com).

### BURGERS

**AL'S BEACH CLUB & BURGER BAR** Located on the Okaloosa Island Boardwalk, 850-226-4100. [ALSBEACHCLUB.COM](http://ALSBEACHCLUB.COM)

**CHARLIE'S BURGER BAR** Burgers, bourbon and beer. Pick from 18 burgers or build your own. Over 50 beers and bourbons, funky French fries, milk shakes for all ages. Located at 2 Harbor Blvd. in HarborWalk Village's Crab Island Cantina Complex, Destin, 850-424-7695.

### CASUAL DINING

**GRAFFITI & THE FUNKY BLUES SHACK** Destin, 850-424-6650. [GraffitiFBS.com](http://GraffitiFBS.com)

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### CONTEMPORARY

**LOUIS LOUIS** Louis Louis is another dining hit. This "sister" restaurant to the famous Red Bar offers a short but all-star menu of fish, chicken, pork, crab cakes and pasta entrees, served in fat portions by a friendly staff. Do whatever you have to do, but don't skip dessert. Colorful décor, comfy tables, full bar, \$5-25. 35 Mussett Bayou Rd., Santa Rosa Beach, 850-267-1500.

### DINNER & A SHOW

**GRAFFITI & THE FUNKY BLUES SHACK** If you're looking for something different in town for the whole family, come enjoy Graffiti & The Funky Blues Shack. We've been around for 20-plus years doing what we do best – FOOD + MUSIC! Our dishes are tried and true and are sure to satisfy everyone in your group. Our menu showcases a little bit of everything. We offer some of the best gourmet pizzas and pastas in town. We also prepare fresh caught Gulf seafood and perfectly grilled filets. Vegetarian? No worries, we've got you

covered, too. While enjoying your delectable meal, you will also experience listening or boogieing to some of the best local and out-of-town talent. We have Jazz Jams, Blues Jams, and everything in between. We weren't voted Best Live Music Venue three years in a row for nothing! Summer music schedule is seven days a week—Sun.-Thu., 7-10 PM and Sat. and Sun., 8 PM until... We have a full bar and offer an early Happy Hour from 4 to 7 PM, as well as a late night Happy Hour (check website for time). Located at 34902 Emerald Coast Parkway in Destin. For reservations, call 850-424-6650. Full menu and music schedule at [GraffitiFBS.com](http://GraffitiFBS.com).

**REDD'S FUELING STATION** a/k/a Redd's Pub N Song, specializes in great food and music. The menu is simple but delicious, including slow cooked beef brisket, sweet and spicy babybacks and fried green tomato BLTs. **Redd the Singing Bartender** sings as she bartends, hosts and serves on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays—customers can participate by requesting songs for tips. Redd offers over 350 songs to choose from. Wednesday is Open Mic Night, the longest running open mic on 30A with musicians of all levels and ages welcome. We have the sound system, you bring your instrument and your talent. Friday nights are live music. Redd likes to promote local musicians and several popular local bands

had their first gigs here, including the Luke Langford Band and Mose Wilson and the Delta Twang. Dinner reservations for four or more are highly recommended. Located at 2320 West County Highway 30A in Blue Mountain Beach. Call 850-325-0252 for information and reservations. Visit [www.reddsfuel.com](http://www.reddsfuel.com) and find **Redd's Pub N Song** on Facebook.

### ECLECTIC

**CAFÉ THIRTY-A** Cafe Thirty-A has been here a while. Finding out why can be a delicious experience. A nightly-changing menu offers steaks, chicken, pork, lamb, and local seafood elegantly prepared with imaginative sauces and sides, courteously served in a beautiful beach-house atmosphere. Lobster bisque, stone crab claws, seasonal fish and shellfish, and wood oven-baked pizzas. Full bar. \$8-36. 3899 E. Scenic Highway 30-A, Seagrove Beach, 850-231-2166.

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### GERMAN/AMERICAN

**FOKKERS PUB** German sausages and homemade schnitzels go great with German beer! Brick oven pizza, grilled or fried wings, burgers, sandwiches and salad bar – there's something for everyone! Live music Wednesdays and Fridays. Located at 215 Miracle Strip Pkwy SE Unit #1 in Downtown Fort Walton Beach. 850-244-6666.

### HEALTHY DINING

**GEORGE'S AT ALYS BEACH** Established in 2008, George's has offered regional coastal fare infused with global flavors to the quaint town of Alys Beach. We craft all of our dishes using locally sourced organic produce and the freshest seafood available, and present each with a generous helping of love. Our dishes fall into two categories—Behave and Misbehave. The Behave section features organic, spa-inspired dishes, while the Misbehave side touts traditional beach fare like fried seafood baskets and po-boys. The menu is rounded out with a thoughtfully curated wine list and a selection of decadent desserts. Our charming beach cottage provides the perfect backdrop for a casual dinner with friends and family. Dine indoors in our airy yet cozy dining room, or soak in the beautiful Florida sunshine on our front deck or screened porches. Open 11 AM-3 PM and 5-9 PM 30 Castle Harbour Dr., Panama City Beach, 850-641-0017, [georgesatalysbeach.net](http://georgesatalysbeach.net).

### ITALIAN

**CIAO ITALIA BISTRO** Dine inside or outside at Guglielmo Ianni's latest bistro. The big menu offers classic Italian appetizers like bruschetta, caprese and calamari, and a range of pasta, chicken, meat, fish and shellfish entrees—puttanesca, Bolognese, parmigiana, pescatore, and some house originals. Daily specials, family dining options, comfortable atmosphere and friendly service. Full bar. Open Monday through Saturday, 5-10 PM 985 U.S. 98 East, Suite F, Destin, 850-842-4677.

**GRAFFITI & THE FUNKY BLUES SHACK** Destin, 850-424-6650. [GraffitiFBS.com](http://GraffitiFBS.com)

**TUSCANY ITALIAN BISTRO** Authentic Italian cuisine includes pasta, freshest seafood, tender veal and more. A true taste of Italy—beautiful Italian decor with handpainted murals. Live Entertainment by Eclipse (Don and Amanda), Special Happy Hour from 5 to 8 PM 36178 Emerald Coast Pkwy. Next to City Market in Destin. 850-650-2451.

### LATIN / MEXICAN

**BUD & ALLEY'S TACO BAR** Shake the sand off your feet, choose a colorful table, and get ready to experience South of the Border favorites, Florida-style. Baja fish tacos, homemade guacamole, burritos, top shelf margaritas, and ice cold cerveza hit the spot for lunch or dinner. Open daily, 11 AM-9 PM 2236 East Scenic Highway 30A, Seaside, 850-231-4781. [BudAndAlleys.com](http://BudAndAlleys.com).

**CRAB ISLAND CANTINA** Traditional and not so traditional Mexican and Latin food, featuring snapper enchiladas, grouper tacos,

and award-winning seafood chorizo gumbo. Great selection of seafood dishes and Black Angus steaks, and all are big portions so make sure you're hungry. Spacious dining area, multiple bars, even a fountain, plus the view of Destin Bridge and the East Pass. Full bar, wide choice of margaritas and beers, \$4-28, HarborWalk Village, Destin, inside the Crab Island Cantina Complex. 850-424-7417. [www.CrabIslandCantina.com](http://www.CrabIslandCantina.com).

**LA COCINA MEXICAN GRILL & BAR** Since 2009, La Cocina has served traditional Tex-Mex fare with a coastal twist in a fun, festive atmosphere. We prepare all of our dishes from scratch using the freshest ingredients available. La Cocina is nestled between Rosemary Beach and Alys Beach in Seacrest Beach. Menu highlights include Tacos de Camerones with grilled shrimp, shredded lettuce, habanero pickled onions and feta cheese; the Pollo Fundido with shredded chicken and sour cream (chimichanga style) topped with cheese; and the Lobster Quesadilla with lobster, crab, shrimp and cheese topped with chipotle aioli and fruit salsa. Saturdays and Sundays, enjoy \$7 specialty cocktails during football season. Open 11 AM-3 PM and 5-9 PM 10343 East CR-30A, Panama City Beach, 850-231-4021, [lacocina30a.net](http://lacocina30a.net).

**LA PAZ** offers just about anything you'd want from a Mexican-Southwestern kitchen, including tamales, tacos, fajitas, burritos, enchiladas and quesadillas, plus a thoughtfully prepared list of grilled local fish and shellfish and imaginative spins on classics. Daily dinner specials, full bar. \$15-25. 950 Gulf Shore Drive, Destin, 850-837-2247. [www.lapazdestin.com](http://www.lapazdestin.com).

**PEPITO'S MEXICAN GRILL** An enormous menu, plenty of room, and a friendly staff make Pepito's a good bet for a Mexican snack or feast. Traditional and unusual fare includes carnitas, enchiladas, fajitas, vegetarian dishes, steaks and seafood specialties. \$4-19. 757 Harbor Blvd, Destin, 650-7734. Additional locations in Bluewater Bay and Fort Walton Beach. [www.mypepitos.com](http://www.mypepitos.com).

**ROCKIN TACOS GRILL & TEQUILA BAR** Located on the Okaloosa Island Boardwalk, 850-226-8226. [ROCKINTACOS.COM](http://ROCKINTACOS.COM)

### PIZZA & PASTA

**BUD & ALLEY'S PIZZA BAR + TRATTORIA** Savor artisan cheese, fresh salad, antipasto dishes, homemade soups, seasonal vegetables, hearty pastas and wood-fired pizza. Experience these authentic flavors in the courtyard, fireside at the bar, or on the veranda overlooking the Gulf. Open daily for lunch and dinner, 11 AM-9 PM 2236 East Scenic Highway 30A, Seaside, 850-231-3113. [BudAndAlleysPizzaBar.com](http://BudAndAlleysPizzaBar.com).

**GRAFFITI & THE FUNKY BLUES SHACK** Destin, 850-424-6650. [GraffitiFBS.com](http://GraffitiFBS.com)

**MELLOW MUSHROOM PIZZA BAKERY** Widely, wildly assorted menu of stone baked pizzas, hoagies, calzones, salads, and specialty items. Pizzas traditional and exotic include pesto, jerk chicken, gourmet white, and Magical Mystery Tour. Colorful psychedelic décor and friendly service. \$4-25. 960 Hwy 98E, Sunsations Plaza, Destin, 650-6420.

### SEAFOOD

**CAPT. DAVE'S ON THE GULF** A tradition since 1977, Capt. Dave's is a go-to place for the kind of seafood that made this area famous. A



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time-tested selection of fried, grilled, and broiled fish, shellfish, steaks and chicken, with house and seasonal specialties. Full bar. \$5-25. 3796 Scenic Hwy 98, Destin, 850-837-2627.

**THE CRAB TRAP SEAFOOD AND OYSTER BAR** Destin, 850-654-2722. **CRABTRAPFLORIDA.COM**

**THE CRAB TRAP SEAFOOD AND OYSTER BAR** Located on the Okaloosa Island Boardwalk, 850-301-0959. **CRABTRAPFLORIDA.COM**

**DEWEY DESTIN'S HARBORSIDE RESTAURANT** The classics, done right. Shrimp, crab, tuna, grouper, scallops, oysters and some land-based items, served fried, grilled, or steamed in most conceivable combinations. Family-friendly, accommodating staff. Nightly specials, full bar. Open daily at 11 AM 202 Harbor Boulevard, Destin, 850-837-7525.

**DEWEY DESTIN'S SEAFOOD RESTAURANT** Get fed with the real locals on Calhoun. Dine inside or out on the water, choosing from grilled and fried local fish and shellfish. Oysters, scallops, shrimp, crab, yellowfin and daily catch served in baskets, on platters or on sandwiches with gumbo, apps and salads that all go well with the laid-back setting. Beer and wine. Open daily at 11 AM 9 Calhoun Avenue, Destin, 850-837-7575.

**FLOYD'S SHRIMP HOUSE** Located on the Okaloosa Island Boardwalk, 850-243-2232. **FLOYDSSHIMPHOUSE.COM**

**GRANDE VISTA BAR & GRILL** Located in the Emerald Grande. Open daily 7 AM-9 PM for breakfast, lunch and dinner. Grande Vista Bar & Grill has delicious local seafood, signature sandwiches and mouth-watering burgers. Enjoy casual or business lunch inside or poolside overlooking the Destin Harbor. Enjoy special drink prices inside or outside at our poolside bar. The view from our pool deck is simply breathtaking. Half-priced drinks daily, 4-6 PM 10 Harbor Blvd., Destin, 850-337-8100 x1550. **info@emeraldgrande.com.**

**HARBOR DOCKS** on the historic Destin Harbor has been serving simply prepared Gulf to table seafood from its own market since 1979. Offering hearty breakfasts, a lunch

menu featuring blue plate specials alongside authentic Thai dishes, and the area's best sushi by world famous Chef Yoshie Eddings. In addition to traditional Gulf seafood dishes, there is something for everyone. 538 Harbor Blvd., Destin, 850-837-2506. **harbordocks.com.**

**HARRY T'S LIGHTHOUSE** Located in HarborWalk Village right on the beautiful Destin Harbor, Harry T's has something for all ages! With entrees ranging from fresh local seafood to our gourmet hamburgers, there's something for everyone! Voted Best Place to Watch the Sunset four years in a row, our outside deck offers an unparalleled view of the Destin Harbor. Mega Happy Hour Mon.-Fri. 11 AM-7 PM 46 Harbor Blvd., Destin, 850-654-4800. **info@harryts.co.**

**LOBSTER TAIL** Located on the Okaloosa Island Boardwalk, 850-833-3016. **THELOBSTERTAIL.COM**

**OLD BAY STEAMER** Wide variety of fresh steamed seafood served in every imaginable combination. Choose from crab, shrimp, lobster, oysters, clams, mussels, and fresh catch of the day. Pasta and steak/seafood pairings also offered. Friendly, efficient service. Open daily for dinner, with full bar. \$4-27, 102 Santa Rosa Blvd., Okaloosa Island, 664-2795.

**ORIGINAL WATERFRONT CRAB SHACK** Located on the water. The Crab Shack serves crab, shrimp, oysters, mussels, scallops and assorted local fish in an informal and family-friendly atmosphere. Crab steamer buckets, fried seafood baskets, sandwiches and po-boys, and some land-based items. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Daily specials, inside and outside dining. Full bar. \$3-45. 104 Miracle Strip Pkwy., Fort Walton Beach. 850-664-0345.

**POMPANO JOE'S** Come on in for some fun and fresh seafood with a very exciting flavor. Try our famous reggae rolls and our garlic crusted grouper! Lunch and dinner. Open daily from 11 AM 2237 Scenic Gulf Highway, Destin. Take Holiday Road South, turn right on scenic Hwy. 98, drive down about two blocks, and you'll find us on the left side. **www.pompano-joes.com.** 850-837-2224.

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**STINKY’S FISH CAMP** Seafood is king at this informal Santa Rosa Beach eatery. Oysters “all ways,” crawfish pie, catfish or frog legs meuniere, and gumbo are just a few of the Louisiana-inspired dishes. Service is friendly and attentive. Open daily 11 AM to 10 PM Serving brunch on Sunday from 10 AM to 3 PM Beer, wine and live music at Stinky’s Bait Shack from 6 to 9 PM 5960 Scenic Highway 30A, Santa Rosa Beach, 850-267-3053.

**THE SURF HUT** Miramar Beach, 850-460-7750. [SURFHUTDESTIN.COM](http://SURFHUTDESTIN.COM)

## STEAKS

**MCGUIRE’S IRISH PUB OF DESTIN** One of America’s Great Steak Houses. Feasting, Imbibery and Debauchery. We are known for great food, exceptional service, our own craft brewed beers, and fun live entertainment. Open LATE, from 11 AM to 1:45 AM seven days a week. 33 U.S. 98, Destin, 850-650-0000, [www.mcguiresirishpub.com](http://www.mcguiresirishpub.com).

**RUTH’S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE** serves the finest aged, corn-fed USDA Prime beef. Broiled

in a trademark 1,800° broiler and served on a plate heated to 500 degrees, your steak is presented sizzling hot at your table. Happy hour daily from 5 to 7 PM in any of our three bars, including the new East Bar. We boast an array of private event spaces, our own private billiard room, valet parking, and live entertainment five nights a week from *Billboard*-charting recording artist Michael J Thomas (upon availability). Open seven days a week at 5 PM For reservations, call 850-837-RUTH (7884) or visit [www.RuthsChrisDestin.com](http://www.RuthsChrisDestin.com).

**SALTWATER GRILL** Open 4-10 PM 1100 Hutchinson Blvd., Panama City Beach, 850-230-2739, [saltwatergrillpcb.com](http://saltwatergrillpcb.com).

## SUSHI

**JACKACUDAS SEAFOOD & SUSHI** is a locally-owned seafood and sushi restaurant overlooking the historic Destin Harbor. The name derives from a famous fishing hole located 34 miles southwest of the Destin Harbor at 30°04.250N and 87°02.125W. Specializing in fresh, locally sourced seafood and products to provide our guests with classic Gulf Coast seafood dishes with New South culinary preparation. Open daily, 11 AM-10 PM 56 Harbor Blvd., Destin, 850-424-3507. [www.jackacudas.com](http://www.jackacudas.com).

## TAPAS AND WINE

**LA CREMA TAPAS AND CHOCOLATE** Spanish-inspired tapas restaurant featuring unique tapas and Spanish wines. The European vibe provides a relaxing atmosphere where we encourage guests to share dishes, converse and

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## WATERFRONT DINING

**BUD & ALLEY’S WATERFRONT RESTAURANT** A pioneer of the fish- and farm-to-table movement, with an award-winning menu featuring Gulf Coast classics paired with Southern-style cuisine. The daily Sunset Celebration ritual on the Rooftop Deck overlooking the Gulf has been a tradition for more than 30 years. Open daily for breakfast (8-11 AM), lunch (11 AM-2:30 PM) and dinner (from 5 PM). Hours may vary. 2236 East Scenic Highway 30A, Seaside, 850-231-5900. [BudAndAlleys.com](http://BudAndAlleys.com).

**CRAB ISLAND CANTINA** Traditional and not so traditional Mexican and Latin food, featuring snapper enchiladas, grouper tacos, and award-winning seafood chorizo gumbo. Great selection of seafood dishes and Black Angus steaks, and all are big portions so make sure you’re hungry. Spacious dining area, multiple bars, even a fountain, plus the view of Destin Bridge and the East Pass. Full bar, wide choice of margaritas and beers, \$4-28, HarborWalk Village, Destin, inside the Crab Island Cantina Complex. 850-424-7417. [www.CrabIslandCantina.com](http://www.CrabIslandCantina.com).

**JIMMY BUFFETT’S MARGARITAVILLE** From a volcano flowing with Margaritas to suspended airplanes, Margaritaville is more than a restaurant; it’s a state of mind. Open daily, 11 AM-10 PM Five O’Clock Somewhere celebration Mon.-Thu., 4-7 PM 76 Harbor Blvd., Destin, 850-460-7700. [www.margaritavilledestin.com](http://www.margaritavilledestin.com).

**LUCY BUFFETT’S LULU’S DESTIN** is located next to the Mid Bay Bridge and Legendary Marine on the Choctawhatchee Bay in beautiful Destin, Florida. A little off the beaten path, but we like a little more room to breathe. Specializing in the BEST Burgers in Paradise, Southern Favorites and Lucy’s own GUMBO LOVE! Family friendly! Come by boat, anchor and wade in or call for our boat shuttle. Open daily at 11 AM. Live music nightly. Separate allergy menu. Beach for the kids to play, Fountain of Youth, LuLu’s Gift Shop. 850-710-LULU (5858). [www.lulubuffett.com/destin](http://www.lulubuffett.com/destin).

**VUE ON 30A** showcases one of the best views for dining in all of South Walton. Open to the public and serving lunch, dinner, happy hour and Sunday brunch. Named “Best Restaurant of 2014” by *The Beachcomber*, Vue on 30a offers the ultimate dining experience. Open for Sunday brunch, 10 AM-2 PM; lunch Tue.-Sat., 11 AM-2:30 PM; happy hour Tue.-Sat., 3-6 PM; dinner Tue.-Sat., 4:30-8:30 PM Two for one entrée specials Wed.-Sat., 4:30-6 PM 4801 Scenic Highway 30A, Santa Rosa Beach, 850-267-2305. [www.Vueon30a.com](http://www.Vueon30a.com).

## WINE BARS

**TWISTED GRAPE CAFÉ AND WINE BAR** in Shalimar is an eclectic restaurant serving lunch and dinner with a varied menu of tapas style plates, flatbreads, Panini, award-winning ZinGouda burger and lasagna at dinnertime, and unique desserts. Our wine list includes wines from around the world. We host fundraising events and are available for any special occasion. Open Mon.-Thu. 11 AM-9 PM, 11 AM-10 PM Fridays, and 5-10 PM Saturdays. 1193 B Eglin Parkway, Shalimar, 850-651-5100. [twistedgrapewinebar.com](http://twistedgrapewinebar.com)

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**AQUARIUS**  
JAN. 21 - FEB. 19




Uranus is on the move. Ground-breaking changes are in store. Keep family and friends close, and experimentation in check. But be open to weird possibilities.

**PISCES**  
FEB. 20 - MAR. 20




This has been a laborious year. Nothing has come easy. Neptune is in Pisces, so work through the complicated issues. Menial tasks get easier. Obstacles disappear.

**ARIES**  
MAR. 21 - APR. 20



Mercury is retrograde. Congrats—it's a new YOU! Life is brighter in all areas. Mercury conjoins Venus, which means a strong, successful month.

**TAURUS**  
APR. 21 - MAY 21




You'll have plenty of energy, but with the sun entering Taurus there will be anxiety. Uh-oh. Anxious energy is tricky. Just because you suffer from paranoia doesn't mean they aren't out to get you.

**GEMINI**  
MAY 22 - JUNE 21




This year is full of fire signs. Summer is a difficult time. Ticks and mosquitoes breed strange diseases. Be careful around strangers and bugs.

**CANCER**  
JUNE 22 - JULY 22




A lunar eclipse and the moon in Aquarius is a setup you've seen before. You will experience a run of extra sensory perception. Be careful with that.

**LEO**  
JULY 23 - AUG. 23




Mars goes retrograde in Aquarius. Get lots of rest. Decisions have consequences. Code word—"careful".

**VIRGO**  
AUG. 24 - SEPT. 23



Earth signs are strong. Moderate carnal instincts or they will dominate your social life. Be awake—and alert. Stay woke.

**LIBRA**  
SEPT. 24 - OCT. 23



Leadership comes naturally. Your amazing grace in accepting the love, passion and appreciation that comes your way is remarkable. Mars is retrograde all summer. It's your year!

**SCORPIO**  
OCT. 24 - NOV. 22



Your taste for romantic dalliances has never been stronger. Take care. Strive for a boring normalcy as opposed to unbridled passion.

**SAGITTARIUS**  
NOV. 23 - DEC. 21



You've been running hot all year. That burning smell and sensation is your nerves short-circuiting. You've felt like nothing can stop you. Careful—brick walls ahead.

**CAPRICORN**  
DEC. 22 - JAN. 20



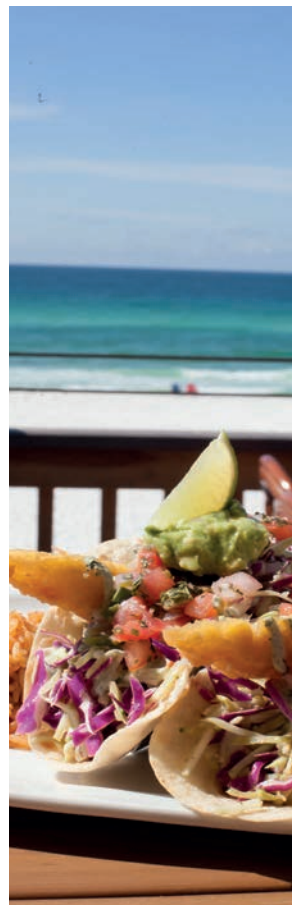
Saturn is close. Your strength and energy is remarkable. Don't regret past mistakes—forge ahead into new frontiers.

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